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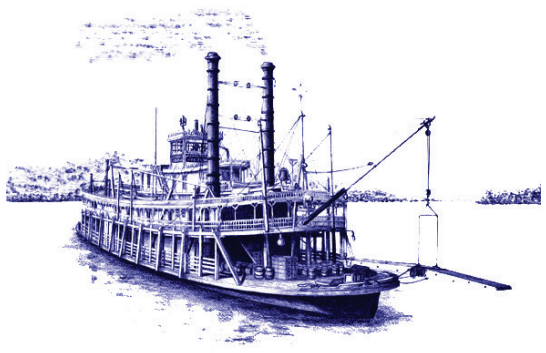

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Parks Board receives draft of rates for Crystal Beach

$5 admission proposed with several pass options

BY BOB DEMAREE

The opening of the new Crystal Beach Aquatic Center is more than six months away but planning is underway to prepare for an opening which is anticipated to be in May.

At Thursday's Madison Parks Board meeting, a draft of 2024 admission rates for the aquatic center was presented with anticipation that the board will decide whether to adopt them at its Wednesday, Jan. 3, meeting.

"At some point, we will start selling passes ahead of when we open, and we need to make sure to have them set up before we start selling them," said Parks Director Scott Klein.

The pool, which has been closed the last two summers for a restoration that turned into a total rebuild, was expected to be open last summer until the poor condition of the structure resulted in its demolition with a new pool — a $7.2 million project — constructed on the site.

In recent years, the pool has closed in early August when student workers return to school. But with the pool expanding into a new aquatic center, Klein said, "My goal is to try to keep it open until Labor Day."

Klein hopes to achieve that by recruiting enough older staff member to allow the aquatic center to keep operating past when younger lifeguards and staff must return to classes in early August. "We're going to have a marketing push in January for individuals who may be retired or working part-time who may be older that may want to get certified to be a lifeguard and work at the pool. I think that's our opportunity to stay open longer in August than we typically would."

Klein said there are also hopes to have more programming at the aquatic center in August. "The weather is still nice in August. It's hot and we'd love to be able to keep it open as long as we can," he said.

The daily admission fees proposed Thursday is $5 general admission to the aquatic center for ages 6 and older. An annual pass for an individual would be $175, an annual pass for a family of four would be $450 plus $110 for each additional family member. There would also be a discount card with 20 admissions at a cost of $85. An annual senior pass (65 and older) would cost $100, and an annual city employee pass would also cost $100.

There would also be a $5 daily fee for water aerobics with the availability of a $35 water aerobics monthly pass (three separate months of classes, 16 classes per month) or a season pass at $85 for three months. No refunds or make-up dates due to increment weather and there would be a $10 replacement card fee.

Crystal Beach Aquatic Center also would be available

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Commission proposes more regulation of heavy haulers

Ordinance would require permits and compensation for damages

BY BOB DEMAREE

Hoping to better limit damage to county roads, Jefferson County Commissioners held the first reading of an ordinance requiring tighter permitting on operating overweight and oversized vehicles on county roads at their meeting on Thursday.

County Highway Superintendent Bobby Phillips said the ordinance, which includes detailed guidelines and necessary permits, follows federal highway guidelines involving vehicles above 80,000 pounds gross vehicle weight or 53 feet in length.

Phillips noted the ordinance should not be an issue with local people. "Our farmers get in and out of the field, and don't do much damage," Phillips said. However, there are situations where big semi tractor trailer trucks that exceed the capacity of county roads cause damage to the roadways and guardrails. "This ordinance would help to minimize some of those damages," he said.

It would also give the county a way to go after those heavy haulers who damage county roads to repair the damage.

Terry Rowlett, of Canaan, was concerned about what the ordinance would mean to farmers in the county.

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Sheriff's office move to new jail underway

Bob Demaree

With permanent occupancy granted for the new Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center, Chief Deputy Laura Pickel was moving into her new office on Friday. Inmates are not expected to occupy the new facility until next year.

Lawsuit over water service still unresolved

BY BOB DEMAREE

The move to the new Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center from the downtown Jefferson County Jail is underway, even as a lawsuit between the city of Madison and Dupont Water Company remains unresolved concerning which utility will supply water to the 300-bed facility.

On Wednesday, a permanent occupancy permit was granted to the county, and on Friday, the process of transitioning to the new facility began. On Friday, phones were disconnected at the downtown location to allow services to be transferred to the new location.

"They will probably continue to operate out of the new jail." Commissioner Bobby Little reported at Thursday's Commissioners meeting, with only jail operations remaining downtown until inmates are moved early next year, although no specific date has yet been determined.

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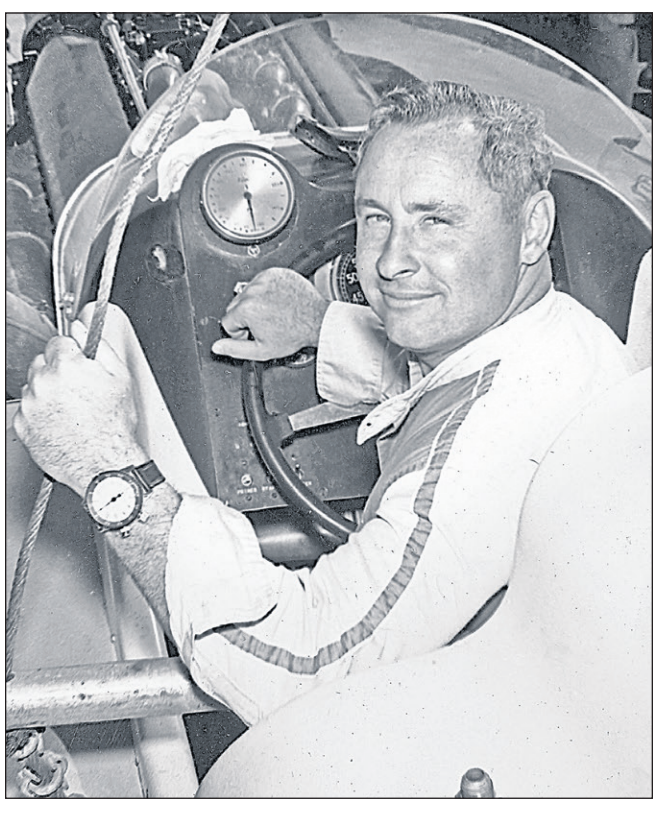

Courier file

George "Buddy" Byers Jr. drove the Miss Madison unlimited hydroplane to a win at the 1965 Dixie Cup in Guntersville, Alabama — the career win for Miss Madison Racing. Byers, of Columbus, Ohio, died Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the age of 94.

Buddy Byers passes at 94

Was 1st race winner for Miss Madison, Unlimited Commissioner

BY BOB DEMAREE

George "Buddy" Byers Jr. drove the Miss Madison unlimited hydroplane for three seasons but his affection for the city of Madison spanned the rest of his life.

Byers, 94, died on Wednesday, Dec. 6 as the oldest remaining Miss Madison pilot and the first Miss Madison driver to score a win in the world's only community-owned raceboat.

George 'Buddy' Byers Jr.

Byers drove Miss Madison from 1963 to 1965, achieving Miss Madison's first career win in 1965 in a come-from-behind victory in the Dixie Cup on Guntersville Lake in Alabama. After the 1965 season, Byers was scheduled to take over as driver of the Tahoe Miss but he injured his arm competing at the Orange Bowl Regatta in mid-winter at Miami In 1966, ending his racing career. Byers remained involved with the sport and went on to serve as Unlimited Commissioner from 1970 to 1980, and also founded the APBA Historical Society.

"It's a great loss," Tony Steinhardt, a close friend of Byers and team member with longtime involvement with the Madison Regatta and the Miss Madison Racing Team. Steinhardt noted Byers was one of three giants who were "all instrumental" in unlimited hydroplane racing that have died this year along with Bob Hughes, president of the Miss Madison Racing Team for more than three decades; and Billy Schumacher, one of the greatest drivers in unlimited hydroplane racing history.

Even after Byers stepped out of the cockpit as driver of Miss Madison, he remained committed to the Miss Madison Racing Team as a supporter in both in terms of

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Morales appeals ruling to allow Rust to seek GOP nod

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana secretary of state is appealing a ruling that a law stipulating voting requirements for a candidate's party affiliation is unconstitutional in a decision that lifted the hopes of a U.S. Senate hopeful who wants to run as a Republican.

The Indiana attorney general's office filed the notice of appeal Friday with the Indiana Supreme Court on behalf of Secretary of State Diego Morales.

The filing came a day after a Marion County judge granted an injunction sought by John Rust, the former chair of the egg supplier Rose Acre Farms of Seymour who is running to replace Sen. Mike Braun. Rust filed a lawsuit in September against Morales, the Indiana Election Commission and Jackson County Republican Party Chair Amanda Lowery to challenge the law and ensure the possibility of his place on the ballot.

The law in question says a candidate's past two primary elections must be cast with the party the candidate is affiliated with or a county party chair must approve the candidacy. In court documents, Rust argued that this statute "should be struck down as being unconstitutionally vague and overly broad."

A phone message seeking comment from Rust was left Friday evening by The Associated Press.

Rust voted as a Republican in the 2016 primary but as a Democrat in 2012. He did not vote in the 2020 Republican primary because of the pandemic and the lack of competitive Republican races in Jackson County, the lawsuit said. Rust said his Democratic votes were for people he personally knew.

Lowery, the county's Republican Party chair, said in a July meeting with Rust that she would not certify him, the lawsuit said. Rust has said Lowery later cited his primary voting record.

In a November hearing, Rust said the law keeps legitimate candidates who have recently moved to Indiana or have switched political identifications from running for office.

In his ruling, Marion County Superior Court Judge Patrick J. Dietrick said the law "unduly burdens Hoosiers' long recognized right to freely associate with the political party of one's choosing and to cast one's vote effectively."

Should Rust prevail, he still faces an uphill challenge for the GOP nomination. U.S. Rep. Jim Banks has received the endorsement of the Indiana Republican Party and former President Donald Trump. Rust must also fulfill a signature quota for the nomination.

Casting himself as a conservative gay man with an "outsider's voice" to Washington, D.C., Rust is the former chair of his family business Rose Acre Farms in southern Indiana. Rose Acre Farms identifies itself as the second-largest egg producer in the U.S.

The company was one of four major egg producers in the country accused of fixing the price of eggs in the 2000s.

A jury in an Illinois federal court recently ruled the producers conspired to limit the domestic supply of eggs to increase prices between 2004-2008 and ordered the companies to pay $17.7 million in damages. Rose Acre Farms has denied any wrongdoing.

Sen. Mike Braun is vacating the seat in his bid for governor.

NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY JAIL

LODGINGS

December 7, 2023

Brandi Smith Henderson, 42, Slidell, Louisiana, for False Identity Statement and Theft, both Class a misdemeanors. Bond $500 cash concurrent.

December 8, 2023

Robert William Lewis, 51, no address, on Jefferson County warrants for failure to appear. Bond a combined $10,000 cash.

December 9, 2023

Glen Waldon Jr., 33, Madison, for Operating a Vehicle With a BAC of .15 or Higher, a Level 6 felony. No bond.

December 10, 2023

David Russal Cox, 38, Madison, for Residential Entry, a Level 6 felony; and on a Jefferson County warrant for failure to appear (public intoxication). Combined bond $1,250 cash.

December 11, 2023

Clint Lee Clackum, 30, Lexington, Indiana, for Resisting Law Enforcement and Operating as Vehicle While Intoxicated, both Class A misdemeanors. No bond.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SUPERIOR & CIRCUIT COURT

SENTENCINGS

December 7, 2023

Stephanie Michelle Kloss, 36, Hanover, to an amended charge of probation violation-Burglary of a Dwelling, a Level 5 felony (defendant admits to using methamphetamine, failing to appear for drug testing and probation appointments and being arrested in a new criminal case). Sentenced to 1,152 days at Indiana Department of Correction, fully executed, with credit for 78 days served.

December 8, 2023

Seth Reed Wimpee, 30, Madison, for Invasion of Privacy-Violation of Protective Order with Habitual Criminal Enhancement. Sentenced to 1 year in Jefferson County Jail consecutive to prior sentence for Domestic Battery and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm by a Serious Violent Felon, fully executed plus $189 in court costs.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

JEFFERSON COUNTY

December 7, 2023

Katelyn A. Hayden and Alac C. Tinker to Ashlyn Q. White, 116 Bunton Lane, Madison.

Gayle Liter and Brenda Liter to Gerald L. Schmidt and Carolyn A. Schmidt, 1029 West Main Street, Madison.

Gerald L. Schmidt and Carolyn A. Schmidt to Gerald L. Schmidt and Carolyn A. Schmidt (trustees), Schmidt Family Trust Agreement and The Schmidt Family Trust Agreement, 1029 West Main Street, Madison.

Balie Layne Mason to Nicholas P. Tant and Michaela R. Tant, 9002 West State Road 250, Deputy.

Johnny F. McBride Jr. and Heather D. McBride to Greg Key and Kathy Key, 236 Mouser Street, Madison.

Mary J. Floyd to Harry Dobbins Properties LLC, 1253 North Borcherding Road, Madison.

Michael Maylum and Debra Maylum to Jackson Investments LLC, 2748 Tiger Lilly Lane, Madison.

Charles Raymond Vaughn to Duke Energy Indiana LLC, part of two parcels at 1808 Hatcher Hill Road, Madison.

Margaret E. Geyman to Russel WH Benkert, 423 Mill Street, Madison.

Ella Jean Hardy and Ella Jean Martin (formerly known) to Damon Russell Hardy II, 23 North Main Cross St., Hanover.

Troy S. Deen and Lisa A. Deen to Eric E. Combs and Shawna M. Combs, 11803 West Deputy Pike Road, Deputy.

Bobby Cook to State of Indiana, Indiana Department of Transportation and INDOT, part of two parcels at 9878 West State Road 356 Lexington ($2,300).

Commissioners OK Hanover joining health plan

BY BOB DEMAREE

A resolution allowing the town of Hanover employees to be covered by the county's health insurance plan was approved unanimously by the Jefferson County Commissioners at their meeting on Thursday.

That approval follows one made by the Hanover Town Council at its meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 5, paving the way for the action to take effect on Jan. 1.

Heather White, the county's human resources director, said Jefferson County Library employees have been covered by county insurance since 1983, which has "been working out great. It helps them with their rates and it's no cost to us."

White said the town of Hanover will be required to provide payment to the county by the 15th of each month, and notify White of any new hires or terminations within 48 hours. She said Hanover has approximately 15 employees receiving health insurance.

White said Hanover town employees should benefit with lower deductibles and improved dental and vision coverage, along with the potential in future years that the move could benefit the county by improving insurance rates.

In other business, the Commissioners:

- Held an unsafe structures public hearing on adjoining properties owned by Arlie Colvin at 8225 West Kent State Road 256 and 8231 West Kent State Road 256 that were destroyed by fire in November of last year. Arlie Colvin II attended the meeting, noting he has received settlement money from the insurance company that will provide resources towards getting the property cleaned up.

County Building Inspector Josh Cline said it is in the county's best interests to allow Colvin to clean the property up on his own and recommended another hearing be set for the Commissioners' first meeting in April. "If it's not cleaned by then, possibly take actions at that time to finish clean up, or at least see where he's out at that point."

County Commissioner David Bramer said what they're wanting to see is progress in the clean up.

- Bramer said a stormwater master plan has been developed as a strategy document for moving forward toward stormwater management for the county. He said the next step would be to develop a stormwater management ordinance to be proposed for adoption. "It lays out some long-term goals. I don't think anyone would be surprised that we have some stormwater issues in the county." He said the county now has a plan to seek funding to address the stormwater problems that exist in the county.
- Michael Hicks, Court Services Community Coordinator, gave an overview of the work done by the residential treatment facility subcommittee in which a needs assessment was recently completed. Hicks said he expects Jason Cranney, executive director of Jefferson County Court Services, to provide a recommendation to the Commissioners in January to consider in regards to mental health and substance abuse treatment in the county.

JAIL

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The full occupancy permit was granted just nine days after a temporary occupancy permit had been granted Monday, Nov. 27. "The last two weeks, it's amazing what's been done" towards completing the work on the new facility, Little said. "There is light at the end of the tunnel."

Little said, "It's a quite a building," particularly citing the greater efficiency while decreasing interaction between staff and inmates by half of what it was before. "Safety is a good issue on both sides," he said.

On Friday and Monday, the Sheriff's administration office at 317 Walnut Street was closed for the transition to the new facility. Phones to the administrative offices were disconnected during the transfer but plans were to have the administration back in operation Tuesday.

Even as the move continues, Madison Mayor Bob Courtney noted last weekend that a lawsuit that was filed on March 17 in United States District Court Southern District of Indiana in New Albany still has not been resolved. The suit, brought by Dupont Water Company against the City of Madison is contesting which utility will be allowed to provide water service to the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center.

"The court hasn't ruled on it so it could delay opening the jail to inmate transfers," Courtney said, adding that it "looks like it could be ruled upon in January, hopefully."

The suit stems from an ongoing issue that occurred when construction of the jail began with Dupont Water Company stating that it believes the new jail, which is located in the city's buffer zone, is in its service area.

Either way water used by the $45 million jail will be pumped and treated by Madison, which sells bulk water to Dupont — and other area resellers like Canaan and Rykers Ridge water companies — for delivery and resale to their customers.

BYERS

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expertise and financial resources. "That was his love, Miss Madison," said Steinhardt, adding Byers was always considered to be part of the team, even if it wasn't official. Byers even posed in the picture with the racing team after Miss Madison's legendary win in the 1971 Gold Cup.

"When we were hurting for money, all I would have to do, is pick up the phone, and he would send me a check," said Steinhardt. "When we decided to build a new boat, he was the first one to contribute back in 1972. Whatever we needed from Buddy, he always supported us."

Byers Jr. was a champion boat racer long before his time with the Madison team. He dominated the seven-litre class, piloting boats named Chrysler Queen and Miss DeSoto, he was APBA National High Point Champion in 1956, 1957, 1959, 1960, 1961 and 1962. Byers set the seven-litre class world record several times including a clocking of 168.2 mph in 1958 in the Chrysler Queen.

Born in Columbus, Ohio, Byers ran a successful group of automobile dealerships in central Ohio. He was a former pilot and served on the Columbus International Airport Commission for 20 years.

His wife of 74 years, Diane Noland Byers, died Sept. 11, 2022, at the age of 92. He is survived by his three children, Lynn Byers Barno, George Byers III and Beth Byers Sells, six grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Byers' funeral was Saturday at Schoedinger Midtown Funeral Services in Columbus. Memorial contributions in his memory may be sent to the APBA Historical Society, 1505 Woodside Lane, Elm Grove, Wisconsin, 53122.

WEATHER

Sunrise: 7:48 a.m.
Sunset: 5:21 p.m.
Temperature: High 41, Low 26, Mean 33.5, Deficit 5.6
Precipitation since last published: .47
Precipitation, December 2023: .75
Precipitation, 2023: 44.52
Barometer: 30.02, Rising
River Level at Clifty Creek: 422.85, Steady
Forecast: Wednesday: Partly cloudy High 44/Low 22; Thursday: Sunny High 48/Low 25; Friday: Mostly sunny High 51/Low 28.

LOTTERY

INDIANA

Hoosier Lotto: 5-20-22-24-32-39 (12/9). Next Estimated Jackpot: $1 million. Next Drawing (12/13).

Cash Five: 3-5-13-18-22 (12/6)

Cash 4 Life: 2-4-18-32-40 CB: 3 (12/10)

KENTUCKY

Cash Ball: 8-19-24-26 CB 19 (12/10)

Kentucky 5 Extra: 3-14-16-20-36 (12/10)

Lucky For Life: 11-19-20-37-44 LB: 9 (12/10)

MEGAMILLIONS: 21-26-53-66-70 MB: 13, MP x3 (12/8). Two winning tickets sold in California to split $394 million jackpot on Friday. Next Jackpot: $20 million. Next Drawing (12/12)

POWERBALL: 5-25-26-40-60 PB: 1, PP 2 (12/9). Next Estimated Jackpot: $477 million. Next Drawing (12/11)

POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY: 8-14-23-29-37 PB: 18 (12/9). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to $10 million. Next Drawing (12/11)

BIRTHDAYS

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Bill Poindexter

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OBITUARIES

Judith Anne Oles Raycher Koontz

Judith Anne Oles Raycher Koontz, age 82, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on August 3, 1941 in Madison, Indiana. She was the loving daughter of the late Evard Earl and Ruth Elaine Richmond Oles. She was raised in Chelsea and graduated in 1959 from Saluda High School where she was the valedictorian of her class. She went on to Nursing School while living in Cleveland, Ohio and later returned home to Madison. Judy was raised in the New Bethel United Methodist Church in Chelsea and enjoyed singing hymns. She was blessed with two daughters, Danielle and Sheila and two sons, Philip and Michael. On January 1, 1989, Judy was united in marriage to Dana Ross "Dan" Koontz and they had enjoyed 34 years of marriage together. Judy had worked as the manager for over twenty years for Bello's Pizza, she had also worked at Foods Plus in the bakery and for Horst Bakery. She loved sewing, quilting, needle point, embroidery, crafts, cooking, baking, and Christmas was her favorite time of the year. She looked forward to going to 88 King Buffet every Thursday with her husband. She was awaiting the birth of her tenth great grandchild. Judy was a very giving person and enjoyed making lap quilts for hospice and for the dialysis center. Judy died on Thursday, December 7, 2023, at 12:45 a.m. at the Norton Brownsboro Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky with her loving family at her side.

Judy will be missed by her loving husband of 34 years, Dana "Dan" Ross Koontz of Madison, IN; her daughters, Danielle Raycher Brinlee and her husband, David of Quitman, TX, Sheila Ann Raycher of Abingdon, MD; her son, Michael Alan Goodwin and his wife, Jennifer of Henryville, IN; her sister, Sharon Martin of Lexington, IN; her brother, Steven Duane Oles and his wife, Phyllis of Branson, MO; her grandchildren, Nathan Brinlee, Lorainne Kersey (Jordon), Samuel Brinlee (Kayla), Hope Hagan (Wyatt), and Alyssa Goodwin; 9-great grandchildren; her nephews and her nieces, Larry, Jay, Darrin, Laura, and Stephanie; and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, Evard Earl Oles; her mother, Ruth Elaine Richmond Oles, and her son, Philip Thomas Raycher.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 10, 2023, at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, Indiana. Interment followed in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Madison.

Memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Walter 'Steve' Stephen Shipman

Walter "Steve" Stephen Shipman, age 74, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on February 1, 1949 in Louisville, Kentucky. He was the loving son of the late Tommy Lee and Yvonne Hubbard Shipman. He moved to Madison, Indiana in 1960 and entered the U.S. Army in 1967. He served his country during the Vietnam War and was discharged as a Specialist 4 in 1969. He married Priscilla "Pat" Lee Meadows on December 16, 1977 in Madison, Indiana. This happy union of nearly 38 years was blessed with a son, Howard. He was a truck driver and construction worker and worked with the Carpenters Union. He was a member of the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion and enjoyed fishing and gardening. Steve loved spending time with his family. Steve died on Friday, December 8, 2023, at his home near Madison, Indiana.

Steve will be missed by his loving son, Howard Shipman, Sr. and his wife Maggie of Madison, IN; his grandson, Howard Shipman, Jr. and his wife, Mary; his great grandchildren, Cheyenne, Landon, and Kaylee; his brothers, John Shipman and his wife Teresa of Madison, IN, Jess Shipman of Madison, IN, Robert Shipman and his wife Ruth of Madison, IN; his sister, Jennifer Yates Moulden of Clarksville, IN; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Tommy Lee Shipman; his mother, Yvonne Hubbard Shipman; his brothers, Michael Shipman, Tommy Lee Shipman, Jr.; his beloved wife of nearly 38 years, Priscilla "Pat" Lee Meadows Shipman, died September 4, 2015 and his sister in law, Kay Shipman.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, December 15, 2023 at 1 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North U.S. 421 in Madison, Indiana.

Friends may visit from until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

A final salute and flag presentation will be performed by the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Rejane Goretti Pereira Detmer

Rejane Goretti Pereira Detmer, age 55, of Madison, Indiana entered this life on April 5, 1968 in Itabuna, Brazil. She was the loving daughter of Pedro Bibiano Pereira, Sr. and Maria Santos Pereira. She was raised in Itabuna, graduated school there and was raised Catholic. She was very spiritual, and her Brazilian culture was very important in her life.

Rejane's American adventure began when she unexpectedly met Daryl Detmer in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on November 24, 1991. Those two hit it off and within six months, Rejane moved to the United States on June 13, 1992 and was united in marriage on July 25, 1992, in Milton, Kentucky at her future father-in-law's home. Those two then began their life together as they built their own home, learned each other's languages, and welcomed their daughter in 1997. Ultimately, Rejane became an American citizen in 2005, and for that, she was extremely proud.

Rejane explored different paths in her life. She co-owned Trakinagem, a children's clothing store in Brazil with her sister Rosana. In 1994, Rejane started her own business in the US which was known as Rejane's Baskets. For ten years, she hand-crafted baskets in their home and attended various trade shows. She was also involved in GranBrazil, Inc since the business began in 2002.

Rejane treasured her role as a mother to Amanda as this gave her the utmost pride and joy in her life. Rejane also enjoyed fashion, interior decorating, cooking, and traveling the world with her husband and daughter, with some of their favorite spots being Aruba and Brazil. She took great joy in watching her daughter play golf across the country throughout high school and college.

Rejane loved her beautiful country of Brazil and felt intense pride being a Brazilian. Rejane's extended family reside in Brazil and that was her home for 24 years. She loved wearing green and yellow to support her country and was a big soccer fan, especially during times such as the World Cup and the Olympics. Rejane enjoyed the companionship of her dog, Lua, and Rejane was a wonderful cook and homemaker. Rejane left this life on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, in Madison, Indiana. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. May her soul rest in eternal peace.

Rejane was a beloved wife of 31 years to, Daryl Michael Detmer of Madison, IN; she was the cherished mother to, Amanda Detmer Leary and a beloved mother-in-law to, Michael Leary of Jacksonville, FL; she will be fondly remembered by her parents, Pedra Bibiano Pereira, Sr. and Maria Santos Pereira of Itabuna, Brazil; her sisters, Rita Massimo and Rosana Barreto of Itabuna, Brazil; her brother, Pedro Bibiano Pereira, Jr. of Itabuna, Brazil; her mother-in-law, Doris E. Johnson Detmer Wyne of Madison, IN; her father-in-law, Dilver L. Detmer and his wife, Waraphon "Lambi" of Milton, KY; her sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Cheryl Lyon and her husband, Kyle Lyon of Madison, IN, Greg Wyne and his wife, Tracy Wyne of Hanover, IN, Angela Jackson and her husband, Ray Jackson of Hanover, IN; her nieces and her nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her grandparents and her father-in-law, Nick Wyne who died May 11, 2018.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, December 13, 2023, at 11 a.m., by Father Christopher A. Craig at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

Friends may visit Tuesday from 3 — 7 p.m. and Wednesday from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre.

The Rosary was prayed on Tuesday at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to her future grandchildren's fund, she was looking forward to that day she became a grandma. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

Ralph Chatham

Ralph Chatham, 78, of Lexington, IN passed away surrounded by loved ones on December 7, 2023. Ralph was born on July 25, 1945 to James Lee and Myrtle Mae Coghill Chatham in Trimble County, Kentucky. After graduating from Trimble Co High School in 1963, he enlisted in the US Army. He fought in Vietnam and earned the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, and Vietnam Service Medal. He was a dedicated employee at Conn Organ and then at Kentucky Utilities for more than 35 years.

In 1970, Ralph met Denise while they both worked at Conn Organ and won many games together on the company softball team. They were married on May 27, 1972 and welcomed their son Travis in May 1982. His family meant more to him than anything else in the world, something he often mentioned. He was unendingly proud of Travis's many accomplishments, especially on the baseball field. He was also a proud and loving grandfather.

Ralph could often be found near a lake with a fishing pole in his hand. He enjoyed working in his vegetable garden, raising tobacco, working sudoku and jigsaw puzzles, and throwing a baseball with his son and grandson. He also rescued many cats over the years and lovingly spoiled them.

Ralph will be missed by his loving wife of 51 years, Denise Boaz Chatham of Lexington, IN; his son, Travis Aaron Chatham and his wife, Kaley of Sturgis, KY; his grandchildren, Kaleb and Zemma Chatham; his sister in law, Diane Ramsey of Lexington, IN; his brothers, Robert "Bobby" Chatham and his wife, Pam of Vevay, IN, Roy Douglas "Doug" Chatham and his wife Sheila of Madison, IN, Richard Coghill of Scipio, IN, and Frankie Coghill of Hanover, IN; his sisters, Virginia Richardson of Paris Crossing, IN, Doris Beard and her husband Mike of Milton, KY, Lois Bennett of Madison, IN, Sue Cull and her husband Rick of Milton, KY, Shirley Davidson and her husband Ed of Frankfort, KY, and JoAnn Cox of Deputy, IN; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, James Lee Chatham; his mother, Myrtle Mae Coghill Chatham; his brother, Victor Lewis "Buddy" Chatham; his brother, James Allen Chatham; his brother, William Calvert "Billy" Chatham; his brother, Freddy Truman Chatham; his sister, Wilma Lee Chatham Anderson; his sister, Linda Mae Coghill Worcester; his sister, Mary Lou Coghill Smolarcyzk; his sister , Betty K. Coghill Aulick.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 1 p.m., by Pastor Mike Johnson at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1415 North Gate Rd., Madison, Indiana 47250.

Friends may visit Wednesday from 4 — 7 p.m. and Thursday from 12 p.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre.

Memorial contributions may be made to Jefferson County Animal Shelter, the American Cancer Society or the Norton KDH Hospice. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at www.morgan-nay.com.

DEATH NOTICES

Pamela Ball, 76, of La Grange, KY, died Saturday, Dec. 9, 2023, at Baptist East Hospital in Louisville. Funeral arrangements are pending at Ransdell Funeral Home in Campbellsburg, KY, www.ransdellfuneral.com.

Betty Walker Chappell, 86, of the Wheatley, IN, died Friday, Dec. 8, 2023, at Signature Healthcare in Carrollton, KY. Funeral services be at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 12, at New Funeral Homes in Owenton, KY, with burial in the Owenton Cemetery there, www.mcdonaldandnew.com.

Marilyn Jean Burton Christman, 74, of Greensburg, IN, and formerly of Madison, IN, Versailles, IN, and Vevay, IN, died Monday, Dec. 11, 2023, at the Arbor Grove Senior Care and Nursing Home in Greensburg. Funeral arrangements are pending at Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Charles "Sonny" Cox, 89, of Madison, IN, died on Sunday, December 10, 2023, at River Terrace Health Campus in Madison, IN. Funeral arrangements and additional information are pending at Lytle Welty Funeral Home in Madison, IN, www.lytlewelty.com

Wilma "Janet" McManis Darnold, 95, of Vevay, IN, and formerly of Madison, IN, died Saturday, Dec. 9, 2023, at Swiss Villa Nursing & Rehab Center in Vevay. Funeral arrangements are pending at Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres in Madison, www.morgan-nay.com.

Inez M. Harker, 92, of Florence, IN, died Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023, at Norton King's Daughters' Health in Madison, IN. Funeral arrangements by Lytle Welty Funeral Home in Madison, www.lytlewelty.com.

Gurney Thomas Ossman, 58, of Florence, IN, died Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023, at his residence. Funeral arrangements are pending at Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home, Vevay, IN, www.haskel-landmorrison.com.

Former Kentucky governor dies at 92

BY BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Former Kentucky Gov. Julian Carroll, who led efforts to improve public schools and modernize the state's judicial system in the 1970s — and who later rekindled his political career as a state legislator — died Sunday, his family said.

He was 92.

Carroll ascended to the governorship during an era when Bluegrass State governors still dominated the legislative agenda, enabling him to shape a wide spectrum of Kentucky policies. But his administration later became tainted by a kickback scandal that engulfed a former state Democratic Party chairman.

Carroll, a Democrat, served as governor from 1974 to 1979 and made a successful comeback in 2004 when he was elected as a state senator.

CAC makes case for share of opioid settlement funds

BY BOB DEMAREE

With Jefferson County among the recipients of a multi-billion-dollar opioid settlement involving several manufacturers, Jefferson County Commissioners are working to devise a plan on how to distribute the county's share of those funds while coping with opioid addiction and abuse problems locally.

Kelli Jette, executive director of the Children's Advocacy Center of Southeastern Indiana, was at Thursday's Commissioners meeting to ask that a portion of that funding be directed to the CAC for general operating purposes.

Still, with the new Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center expected to open soon, Commissioner David Bramer said there could be many uses for the settlement dollars.

"We've talked about what we need to do for programs in the new jail facility. So, we need to look at that," and devise an overall plan for where the opioid funds should be dedicated, Bramer said.

There are specific opioid remediation uses for which the county can use the restricted or abatement share of the funds including prevention, and strategies for treatment and recovery. Jefferson County has been allocated $1,180,882.47 in total abatement share and $491,087.16 in total restricted share. The county will annually receive portions of that through 2038, with the amounts beginning to gradually decrease.

In 2022, it was $57,629.76 in unrestricted share and $134,469.45 abatement share with $358.83 additional. In 2023, it is $57,961.28 in unrestricted share and $141,310.83 in abatement share with $5,094.83 additional. In 2024, the unrestricted share is $26,183.80 and the abatement share is $61,095.56. None of those funds have yet been spent. In that last year of the settlement payout in 2038, the unrestricted share is $12,263.92 with the abatement share at $28,615.82.

Jette, in her presentation to the Commissioners, said, "There's a significant correlation between substance abuse/opioid use and abuse." She said there has been a 60% increase of children that have gone through the CAC — 83 last year at this time, and 137 this year — and 30% of those are specific to drug-related abuse, maltreatment and neglect.

She cited reports that it's not just in how the children are abused but also how it impacts their health. She said cases in which children were exposed to opioids during pregnancy have caused neonatal issues that result in development issues and statistics showing a 30% increase in the likelihood the children will abuse. In this county, Jette said there are approximately 30 children born annually with those issues due to substance abuse during pregnancy.

Additionally, she said parents struggling with substance abuse/opioid use tend to be "more irritable, ambivalent and disinterested," resulting in them being less aware or able to keep the children safe. "When you have disassociated parenting styles, that also provides an additional layer area of risk in this huge complexity of issues between drugs and abuse," she said.

Jette said Commissioners in other counties have adopted resolutions providing some opioid settlement funding to the CAC.

Council OKs $150K loan to River Oak Chophouse from RLF

BY MARK CAMPBELL

Madison City Council approved a recommendation by the city's Revolving Loan Fund Committee to double the amount of a small business loan the city will extend to the River Oak Chophouse from $75,000 to $150,000 to start that business in downtown Madison.

The restaurant, which is locating at 605 West Main Street at the former site of Bad Apple Mac's restaurant, is proposed as an upscale dining experience with steaks and seafood and scratch-made food from locally sourced meat and produce. The owners, Elizabeth and Troy Riley, are renovating the building, buying new equipment — including a $20,000 walk-in cooler — with a main restaurant, private dining areas for groups and receptions and renovation of a carriage house as a second dining area including a separate menu.

The Rileys already operate Crimison Oak restaurant in North Vernon and Stream Cliff Farm restaurant in Commiskey and are looking at River Oak as an upscale option that can become a destination drawing diners not only for the food but Madison's historic charm and tourism.

"The plans are to have it become kind of a destination-type restaurant," Elizabeth Riley said. "We're wanting it to be that type of upscale destination."

To do that is going to require a sizeable investment. One that probably exceeds the money normally spent on launching a business through the Revolving Loan Fund. Therefore, the RLF Committee recommended that the Council approve loaning the business up to $150,000 on a 10-year note at 6.5% interest, all secured with the property as collateral.

Riley said the money will help the business make the upgrades needed to be successful — like the new cooler, a new hood system for the kitchen, money to expand into the outdoor courtyard and convert the carriage house into an outdoor kitchen and hire and maintain a staff capable of executing the plan.

According to Madison Economic Development Director Tony Steinhardt III, the River Oak Chophouse is exactly the type of place Madison needs. Having more restaurants with finer dining options and the capacity to provide private dining rooms and space for groups and corporate outings will play well with the community's tourism industry and make Madison more attractive to business and industry.

Riley said the chef at Crimson Oak will be coming to Madison to launch the restaurant and a sous chef will be hired as well as eight full-time and 15 part-time staff members ranging from line cooks to dishwashers, servers, front of house and bartenders. The plan is to be open by late January 2024, but that could depend on the restaurant's application for a liquor license. The business plans a full bar with alcohol and wines including wines sourced at Stream Cliff Farm.

In other business:

- Held the second and third readings and adopted an ordinance amending the traffic code with respect to an area on Michigan Road near the new Shoppes at Sunrise Crossing. The amendment essentially reduces the speed limit in that area to 20 mph.
- The Council made two appointments to city boards including Renie Stephens, general manager at Clifty Inn and The Falls Restaurant, to replace Ron Bateman, developer of The Eagle Cotton Mill Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott, on the Jefferson County Board of Tourism; and Laura Lawson to a vacancy on the Preservation and Community Enhancement (PACE) grant review board.

JCHD proposes adding public health educator, food safety inspector

BY BOB DEMAREE

With Jefferson County opting to participate in Health First Indiana to ensure every Hoosier has access to core public health services, two new positions are being sought by the Jefferson County Health Department (JCHD).

Lindsey Wyne, administrator of JCHD, informed the Jefferson County Commissioners about the positions at their meeting on Thursday, and asked for their support when she presents those job proposals to the Jefferson County Council for approval at its meeting on Tuesday.

One of the positions is for a full-time public health educator and the other is for a part-time food safety inspection officer. Both positions will be funded by the State of Indiana's Health First Indiana initiative.

One of the obligations for participating in Health First is maternal and child health, which Wyne said will be a focus of the public health coordinator to provide educational training related to nutrition, safe sleep, trauma and prevention as it applies to toddlers and infants, and more. Wyne said the public health educator will coordinate with a school liaison and WIC (Woman, Infants and Children).

With new codes coming in 2024, Wyne said the part-time food safety inspection officer will provide more education opportunities with regard to food violations and conduct more follow-ups inspections, along with transitioning into an electronic food inspection program rather than the current hand-written process. Additionally, it will allow for more inspections on evenings and weekends, rather than limiting calls to daytime hours on weekdays.

Crowds at airports, highways expected to be even bigger than last year

BY DAVID KOENIG
AP AIRLINES WRITER

More Americans are expected to fly or drive far from home over Christmas than did last year, putting a cap on a busy year for travel.

Auto club AAA forecast Monday that 115.2 million people will go 50 miles or more from home during the 10 days between Dec. 23 and New Year's Day. That's 2.2% more than AAA predicted during the comparable stretch last year.

"That desire to get away is stronger than we have seen in a very long time," said AAA spokeswoman Aixa Diaz. "People are willing to adjust their budgets in other areas of their life, but they want to keep traveling."

The AAA predicts that the holiday season will still fall 3% short of record travel in 2019, the last Christmas before COVID-19 hit the United States.

Air travel in the U.S. has already rebounded, surpassing 2019 levels.

The number of travelers going through U.S. airport checkpoints is up 12.4% over last year and 1.4% higher than in 2019, according to the Transportation Security Administration. Travel around the Thanksgiving Day holiday topped 2019 numbers, peaking at 2.9 million — a single-day record for TSA — screened on Sunday, Nov. 26.

Airlines are predicting a blockbuster holiday season.

Airlines for America says 39 million people — about 2.8 million a day on average — will board U.S. flights between Dec. 20 and Jan. 2. The trade group for big U.S. carriers expects about 3 million on the peak days — the Thursday and Friday before Christmas and the four days after the holiday.

The airlines count people more than once if they take connecting flights instead of nonstops, so their numbers are higher than those reported by TSA.

Travel is strong even though many Americans say they are worried about the economy. In an AP-NORC poll last week, seven out of 10 people surveyed rated the economy as poor. But at least inflation has cooled off a bit.

Airline passengers are getting a slight break from last year's high prices. Average fares in October were 13% lower than a year earlier, according to the government's latest data.

AAA predicts that 7.5 million people will fly in the U.S. in late December, but the club expects far more — nearly 104 million — to drive over the holidays.

Motorists will pay a bit less to fill up. The national average price for a gallon of gasoline was $3.19 at the end of last week, compared with $3.33 a year earlier, according to AAA. Gas is under $3 a gallon across a swath in the middle of the country.

Travel for Christmas and New Year's is spread out over a couple weeks, so the busiest days rarely match the Thanksgiving peaks — TSA counted a record 2.9 million air travelers on the Sunday after the November holiday.

Transportation data provider INRIX predicted that highways will be busiest on Saturday, Dec. 23, and Thursday, Dec. 28.

AAA's Diaz notes that many people are still working during the holidays. Vacationers heading to visit family will be mixing with commuters on the roads, "so rush hour could still be bad," she said. "We always say leave as early as possible if you're hitting the road or leave at night."

Big Oaks and Clifty Falls calling on volunteers for bird count

BY SPECIAL TO THE COURIER

The Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) and Clifty Falls State Park will each participate in Audubon's longest-running wintertime tradition, the annual Christmas Bird Count (CBC) on Saturday, Dec. 30.

At Clifty Falls State Park you can participate all day or just for an hour or two. Bring binoculars and field guides. Field participants will meet at the Clifty-Inn. Feeder observers need only pre-register.

At Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge at the former Jefferson Proving Ground, volunteer birders and nature enthusiasts of all skill levels are needed to count birds. Sign up to count birds for a half-day (until noon, or noon to sunset) or all day. The event begins with a meet up at 8 a.m. at the Big Oaks NWR office. The Big Oaks Conservation Society, a not-for-profit refuge support group, will provide lunch for volunteers at the refuge office. Anyone interested in participating in the Big Oaks NWR count, can preregister with the refuge at 812-273-0783. Weather for the Christmas bird count can be variable, but warm and/or waterproof clothing is recommended.

The CBC began more than a century ago when 27 conservationists in 25 localities, led by scientist and writer Frank Chapman, changed the course of ornithological history. On Christmas Day of 1900, the small group posed an alternative to the "side hunt," a Christmas day activity in which teams competed to see who could shoot the most birds and small mammals. Instead of shooting birds, Chapman proposed to identify, count, and record all the birds they saw, founding what is now considered to be the world's most significant citizen-based conservation effort and a more than century-old institution.

Apart from its attraction as a social and competitive event, the CBC reveals valuable scientific data. Each count group completes a census of the birds found during one 24-hour period between Dec. 14 and Jan. 5 in a designated circle 15 miles in diameter — about 177 square miles. Now in its 123rd year, the CBC is larger than ever with more than 2,000 individual counts scheduled, expanding its geographical range and accumulating information about the winter distributions of various birds. It is vital in monitoring the status of resident and migratory birds across the Western Hemisphere. The data, 100% volunteer generated, have become a crucial part of the U.S. Government's natural history monitoring database. Count results from 1900 to the present are available through Audubon's website: https://www.audubon.org/conservation/science/christmas-bird-count.

'Barbie' tops Golden Globes nominations

After scandal and several troubled years, the Golden Globes are ready for a comeback.

The revamped group, now a for-profit endeavor with a larger and more diverse voting body, announced its nominations Monday for its January awards show.

WHO'S NOMINATED

"Barbie" tops all nominees with nine, while "Oppenheimer" followed closely behind with eight.

Here are a selection of other nominees:

Best drama movie: "Anatomy of a Fall"; "Killers of the Flower Moon"; "Maestro"; "Oppenheimer"; "Past Lives"; "The Zone of Interest."

Best actor in a television drama: Brian Cox, "Succession"; Kieran Culkin, "Succession"; Gary Oldman, "Slow Horses"; Pedro Pascal, "The Last of Us"; Jeremy Strong, "Succession"; Dominic West, "The Crown."

Female actor in a television comedy: Rachel Brosnahan, "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel"; Quinta Brunson, "Abbott Elementary"; Ayo Edebiri, "The Bear"; Elle Fanning, "The Great"; Selena Gomez, "Only Murders in the Building"; Natasha Lyonne, "Poker Face."

Male actor in a television comedy: Bill Hader, "Barry"; Steve Martin, "Only Murders in the Building"; Jason Segel, "Shrinking"; Martin Short, "Only Murders in the Building"; Jason Sudeikis, "Ted Lasso"; Jeremy Allen White, "The Bear."

WHAT'S NEW?

The 81st Golden Globe Awards will be the first major broadcast of awards season, with a new home on CBS. And while to audiences it might look similar on the surface, it's been tumultuous few years behind the scenes following a bombshell report in the Los Angeles Times. The 2021 report found that there were no Black members in the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, which votes on the awards.

WHO VOTES?

The group nominating and voting for the awards is now made up of a more diverse group of over 300 people from around the world.

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Ireland's toffee Best-of-Show at Sugar Plum Bake-Off

BY BOB DEMAREE

Grace Ireland's toffee candy came away as the Best-of-Show winner of Saturday's Sugar Plum Bake-Off that was part of the festivities of the third annual Holly Jolly Santa Celebration.

Ireland's Best-of-Show win prevented a three-peat from Hanover's Kayla Wilson, who was Best-of-Show winner in the contest's first two years.

Ireland, of Hanover, said it was the first time that she had ever made the toffee, a recipe that her sister had given her in 2006. "This was so much fun, and totally exciting, and pretty much unexpected" she said.

Second in the candy category was Beverly Harrison, of Hanover, with Cranberry Pecan White Fudge and third was Sue Langdon, of Madison, with Pecan Turtles.

Ann Gaddie, of Hanover, was the winner of the best cookie for her Brown Butter Bourbon Pecan Chocolate Chunk cookies. "The recipe called for brown butter, and I had never made that before," said Gaddie, giving credit to her husband, Charles, for making the brown butter. Second for cookies was Jordan Dean, of Madison, with Cranberry Orange Shortcake cookie and third was Wilson with Peppermint Brownie cookies.

For best decorated cookies, Kenna Copeland, of Madison, was first with Walking in a Snow Globe cookie and Anna Frey, of Madison, with Snowman.

Melissa Enstrom, of Hanover, was winner of the drawing for a KitchenAid stand mixer.

The contest was organized by Meg Bramer with assistance from Ginger Sexton and Lisa Bruner.

Photos by Bob Demaree

Megan Varble (left), Hanover's event coordinator, talks with Commissioner David Bramer and Gaila Crouch during Saturday's Holly Jolly Santa Celebration at the Hanover Community Building.

Gus Adkins, 2, of Madison, sits on the lap of his father, Joe Adkins, as Tamara Duquette (right), of Madison Family Dentistry, talks to them about tooth care.

Grace Ireland, of Hanover (left), was Best-of-Show winner in Saturday's Sugar Plum Bake-Off, for her toffee candy. She was presented her award by Santa Claus and Meg Bramer (right), organizer of the event.

Santa Claus samples one of the cookies during Saturday's Holly Jolly Santa Celebration at the Hanover Community Building.

Santa Claus listens while Jersey Neace, 2, of Hanover, tells him what she wants for Christmas during Saturday's Holly Jolly Santa Celebration at the Hanover Community Building.

Amy Augustin was selling cookies at a fundraiser for the Hanover Senior Citizens during Saturday's Holly Jolly Santa Celebration at the Hanover Community Building.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

EVENTS

Guest Speaker Carmine Azzato

Hanover Baptist Church

Wednesday, Dec. 13 — 6 p.m.

Former pro wrestler Carmine Azzato will tell his life story and encouraging positive choices as guest speaker at Hanover Baptist Church, 3894 West State Road 56, Hanover, at 6 p.m. on Wednesday. Childcare provided.

Lanier Mansion

Free First Responders

Free tours of the Lanier Mansion State Historic Site will be offered to first responders and their immediate family Saturday, Dec. 16, and Sunday, Dec. 17, as way of showing gratitude. Tours will start daily at 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the Visitor Center, 601 First St.

FUNDRAISERS

BOOK SALE

Madison-Jefferson County Public Library

420 West Main St, Madison

Saturday, Dec. 16

The Friends of the Library Holiday Book Sale will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 16, at the Madison-Jefferson County Public Library, 420 West Main St., Madison

FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS

Salvation Army Food Bank

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays

Noon to 1 p.m.

331 East Main St., Madison

A food giveaway at the red door on east side of building. Bring your own bags. For more information, call 812-265-2157.

House of Hope Food Pantry

100 East Second St., Madison

Tuesdays — 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Fridays — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

A food giveaway and distribution at the Jefferson County House of Hope Food Pantry in downtown Madison. Please arrive at the pantry 15 minutes prior to closing to be served.

CLOTHING DISTRIBUTIONS

Jesus Clothes Closet

Trinity Methodist Church, Madison

Mondays — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Jesus Clothes Closet at Trinity Methodist Church, 412 W. Main St., will distribute free clothing for those in need each Monday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. For more info call 812-866-4843.

SENIOR EVENTS

Madison Senior Citizens Center

208 West Main Street

Senior Meals

Lifetime Resources will be providing congregate meals again at the Madison Senior Center starting in November on Tuesday and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Suggested donation is $6 and there will be a trial run on Oct 24.

Game Days

The Madison Senior Citizens Center hosts weekly card days and Bingo at the Senior Citizens Center in downtown Madison. The schedule includes Euchre on Mondays and Thursdays from noon until 10 games are completed and Bingo on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The games are free and open to senior citizens.

HANOVER SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

Hanover Park Community Center

Exercising

The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is offering free exercising at the Hanover Park Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Lunch

The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is serving lunch at noon on Wednesdays and Fridays at the Hanover Park Community Center. Cost is $5 and RSVP is required by calling 812-498-2894.

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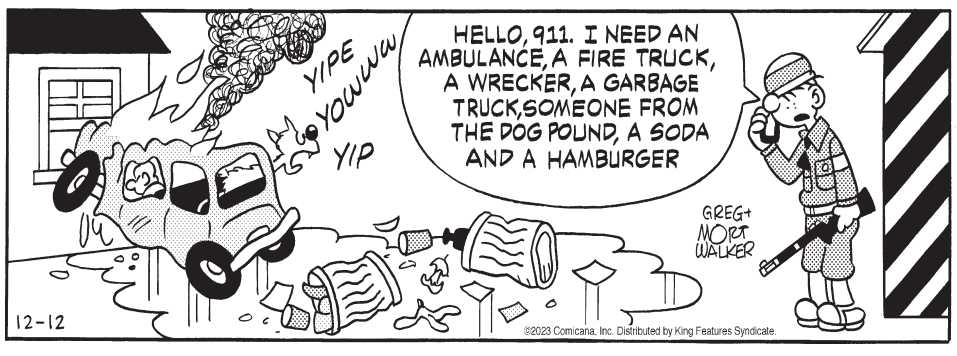
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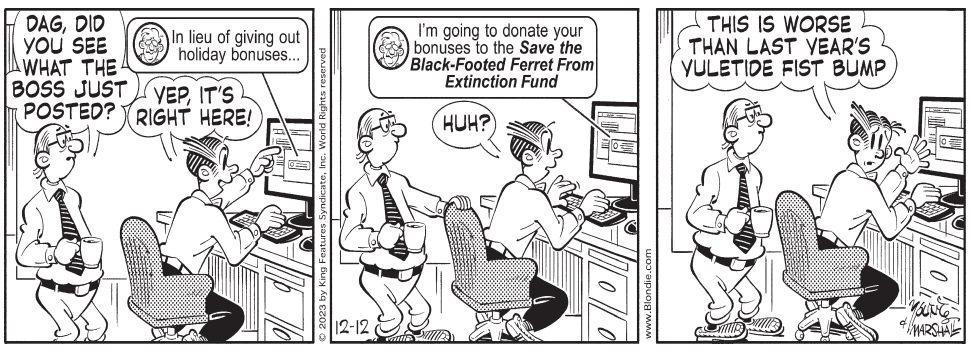
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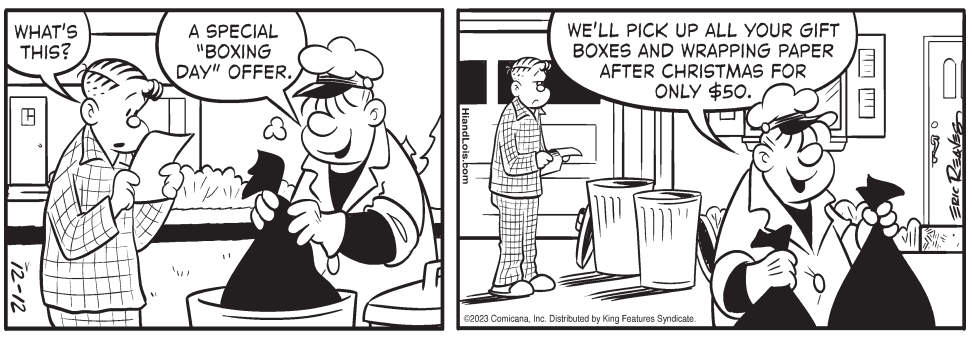
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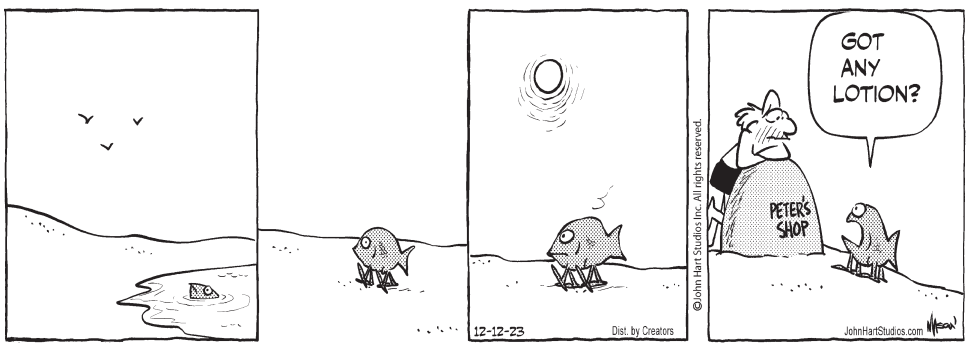

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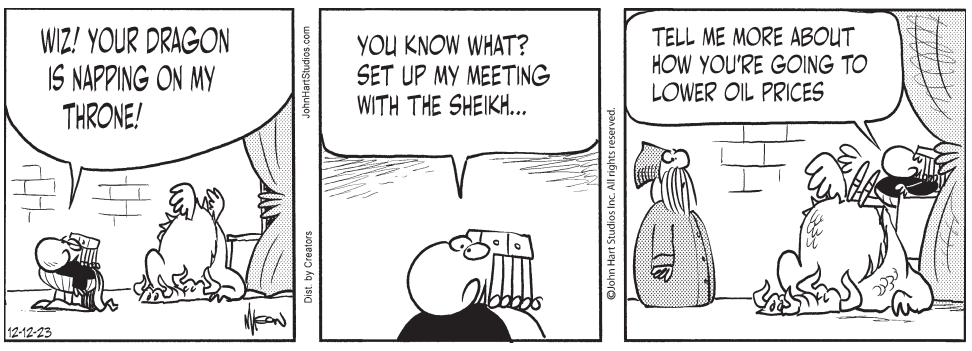
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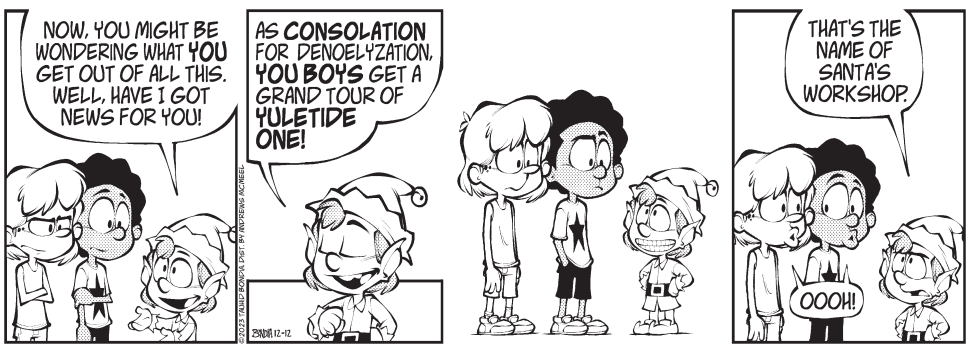
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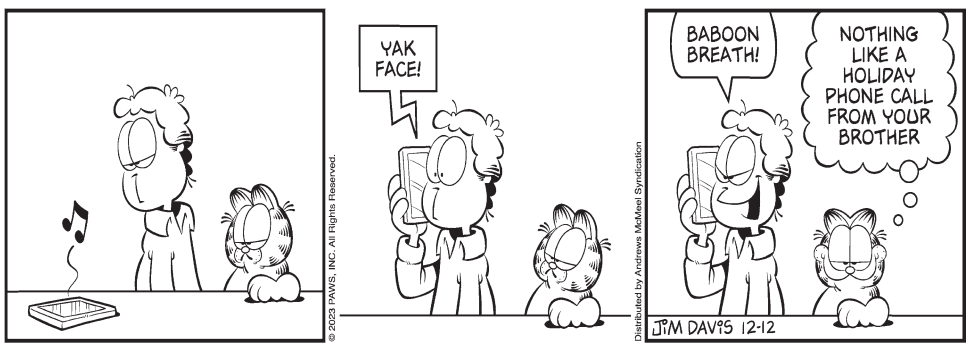
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IT GOES BACK TO MY CHILDHOOD, DONALD.
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DID SOMETHING TRAUMATIC HAPPEN TO YOU?
YES, YOUR GRANDMOTHER DROPPED ME OFF AT THE MALL.
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WHAT'S SO BAD ABOUT THAT?
SHE NEVER CAME BACK.
BIG DEAL
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BUY BUY BYE

PICKLES

OPAL! I THOUGHT YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW...
...I'M WASHING THE DISHES!
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DID YOU HEAR ME, OPAL?
IF A MAN WASHES THE DISHES, AND HIS WIFE ISN'T THERE TO SEE IT, DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?
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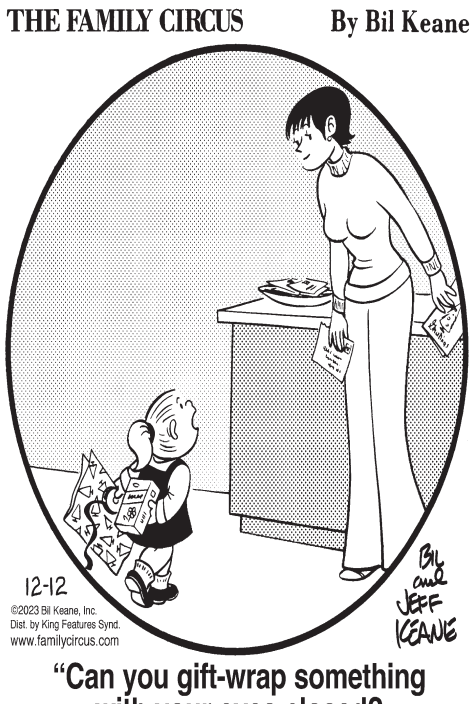

"Can you gift-wrap something with your eyes closed? It's for you."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"DENNIS IS GOING TO BE AN ANGEL IN THE CHRISTMAS PLAY."

"YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING!"

BABY BLUES

HEY, DOOFUS, LET'S PLAY A GAME.
NOT NOW.
I'M STAYING PERFECTLY STILL, SO I DON'T GOOF UP AND GET ON SANTA'S "BAD" LIST.
SO, YOU'RE JUST GOING TO SIT LIKE THAT UNTIL CHRISTMAS??
PLEASE LEAVE. I FEEL AN UNKIND RESPONSE COMING ON.
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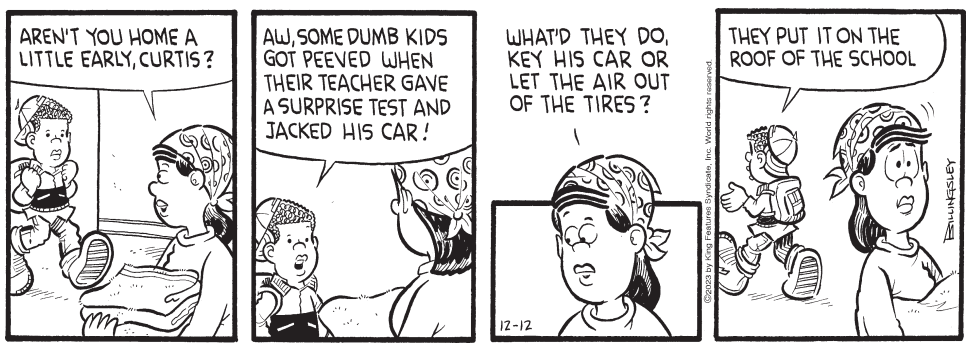
AREN'T YOU HOME A LITTLE EARLY, CURTIS?
AW, SOME DUMB KIDS GOT PEEVED WHEN THEIR TEACHER GAVE A SURPRISE TEST AND JACKED HIS CAR!
WHAT'D THEY DO, KEY HIS CAR OR LET THE AIR OUT OF THE TIRES?
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THEY PUT IT ON THE ROOF OF THE SCHOOL
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BRUNSELEY

ZITS

I'M HOME!
HI JEREMY.
SUDOKU
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SCOTTAMA BOREMAN
DINNER WON'T BE READY FOR A WHILE, SO MAKE YOURSELF A SANDWICH.
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WE'RE ON THE SAME PAGE, AS USUAL, MOM.
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 12, 2015, nearly 200 nations meeting in Paris adopted the first global pact to fight climate change, calling on the world to collectively cut and then eliminate greenhouse gas pollution but imposing no sanctions on countries that didn't do so.

On this date:

In 1787, Pennsylvania became the second state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1870, Joseph H. Rainey of South Carolina became the first Black lawmaker sworn into the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1913, authorities in Florence, Italy, announced that the "Mona Lisa," stolen from the Louvre Museum in Paris in 1911, had been recovered.

In 1915, singer-actor Frank Sinatra was born Francis Albert Sinatra in Hoboken, New Jersey.

In 1917, during World War I, a train carrying some 1,000 French troops from the Italian front derailed while descending a steep hill in Modane; at least half of the soldiers were killed in France's greatest rail disaster.

In 1977, the dance movie "Saturday Night Fever," starring John Travolta, premiered in New York.

In 1985, 248 American soldiers and eight crew members were killed when an Arrow Air charter crashed after takeoff from Gander, Newfoundland.

In 1995, by three votes, the Senate killed a constitutional amendment giving Congress authority to outlaw flag burning and other forms of desecration against Old Glory.

In 2000, George W. Bush became president-elect as a divided U.S. Supreme Court reversed a state court decision for recounts in Florida's contested election.

In 2010, the inflatable roof of the Minneapolis Metrodome collapsed following a snowstorm that had dumped 17 inches on the city. (The NFL was forced to shift an already rescheduled game between the Minnesota Vikings and New York Giants to Detroit's Ford Field.)

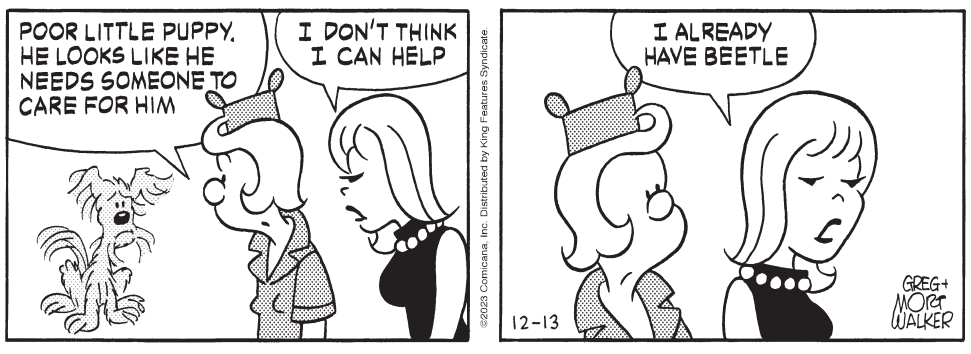
In 2018, Michael Cohen, President Donald Trump's one-time fixer, was sentenced to three years in prison for crimes that included arranging the payment of hush money to conceal Trump's alleged sexual affairs.

In 2019, British Prime Minister Boris Johnson led his Conservative Party to a landslide victory in a general election that was dominated by Brexit.

In 2020, thousands of supporters of President Donald Trump gathered in Washington for rallies to back his desperate efforts to subvert the election that he lost to Joe Biden.

Today's Birthdays: Basketball Hall of Famer Bob Pettit is 91. Singer Connie Francis is 86. Singer Dionne Warwick is 83. Rock singer-musician Dickey Betts is 80. Hall of Fame race car driver Emerson Fittipaldi is 77. Actor Wings Hauser is 76. Actor Bill Nighy is 74. Actor Duane Chase (Film: "The Sound of Music") is 73. Country singer LaCosta is 73. Gymnast-turned-actor Cathy Rigby is 71. Singer-musician Sheila E. is 66. Actor Sheree J. Wilson is 65. Pop singer Daniel O'Donnell is 62. International Tennis Hall of Famer Tracy Austin is 61. Rock musician Eric Schenkman (Spin Doctors) is 60. Author Sophie Kinsella is 54. News anchor Maggie Rodriguez is 54. Actor Jennifer Connelly is 53. Actor Madchen Amick is 53. Actor Regina Hall is 53. Country singer Hank Williams III is 51. Actor Mayim Bialik is 48. Model Bridget Hall is 46. Actor Lucas Hedges is 27. Actor Sky Katz is 19.

BEETLE BAILEY


POOR LITTLE PUPPY. HE LOOKS LIKE HE NEEDS SOMEONE TO CARE FOR HIM
I DON'T THINK I CAN HELP
I ALREADY HAVE BEETLE
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GREG+ MORT WALKER
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BLONDIE

HONEY, DID YOU REMEMBER TO STOP OFF AT THE OFFICE SUPPLY STORE ON YOUR WAY HOME?
I SURE DID
OH NO! I FORGOT YOU WANTED ME TO PICK UP SOMETHING FOR YOU, TOO...WHAT WAS IT AGAIN?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, HONEY
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YOU FORGOT, TOO, DIDN'T YOU?
INK? STAPLERS? ENVELOPES? PAPER CLIPS? SOMETHING LIKE THAT
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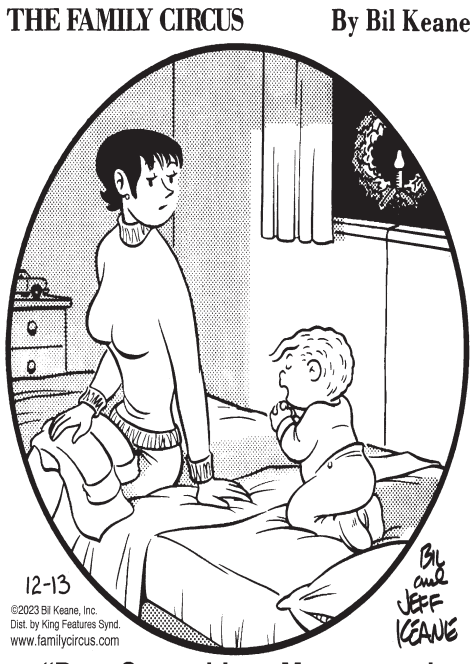

"Dear Santa, bless Mommy and Daddy and ... I mean, Dear God, bless Mommy and ..."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"DID YOU JINGLE ALL THE WAY HERE OR IS THAT JUST WHEN YOU GO HOME?"

HI & LOIS

I JUST FOUND OUT THAT MISTLETOE IS POISONOUS.
ONLY IF YOU EAT THE BERRIES.
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GET OUT FROM UNDER THERE, TRIXIE.
I'M WAITING FOR A KISS.
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BABY BLUES

HEY, HAMMIE LET'S GO PLAY CATCH!
I CAN'T.
I'M NOT MOVING FROM THIS SPOT UNTIL CHRISTMAS SO I CAN STAY ON SANTA'S "NICE" LIST.
WHEN'S THE LAST TIME YOU USED THE BATHROOM?
LET'S CHANGE THE SUBJECT.
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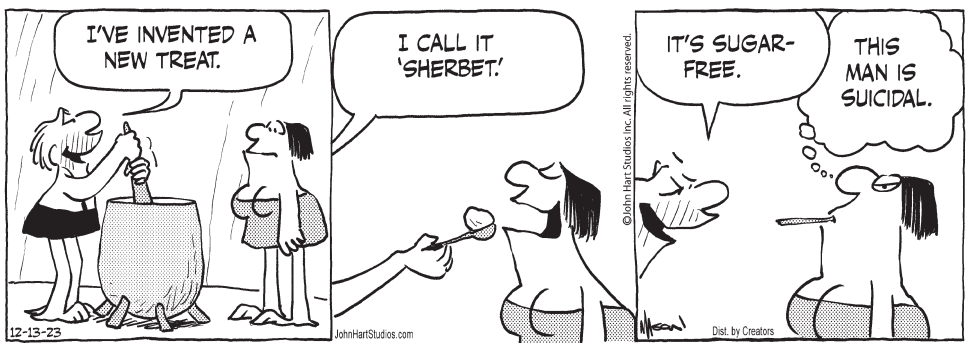

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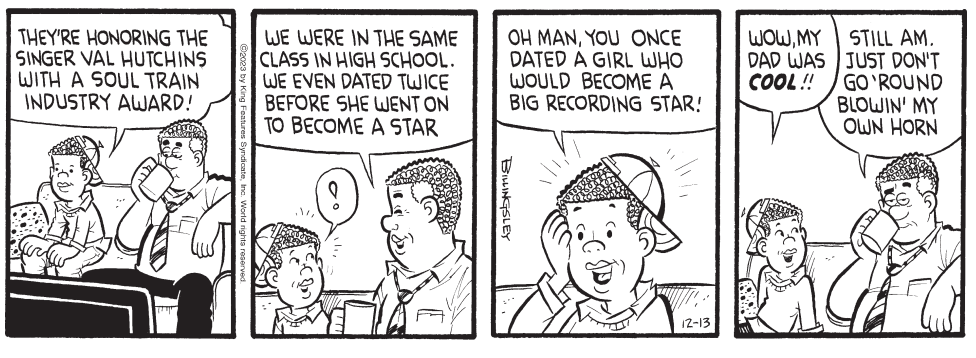
THEY'RE HONORING THE SINGER VAL HUTCHINS WITH A SOUL TRAIN INDUSTRY AWARD!
WE WERE IN THE SAME CLASS IN HIGH SCHOOL. WE EVEN DATED TWICE BEFORE SHE WENT ON TO BECOME A STAR
?
OH MAN, YOU ONCE DATED A GIRL WHO WOULD BECOME A BIG RECORDING STAR!
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WOW, MY DAD WAS COOL!!
STILL AM. JUST DON'T GO 'ROUND BLOWIN' MY OWN HORN
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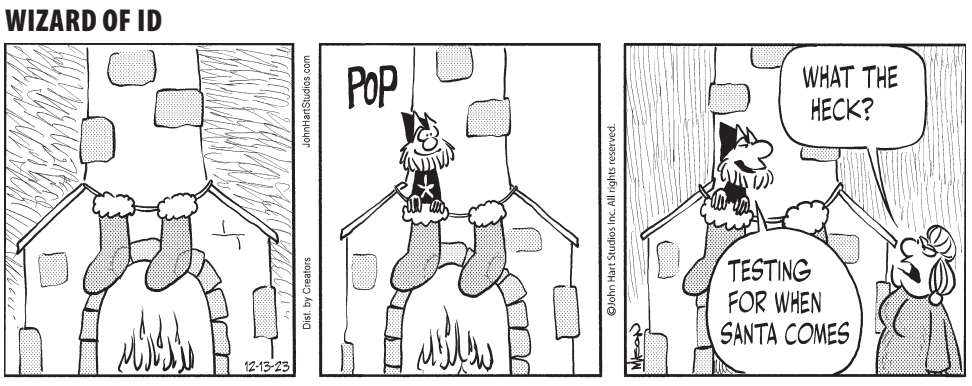

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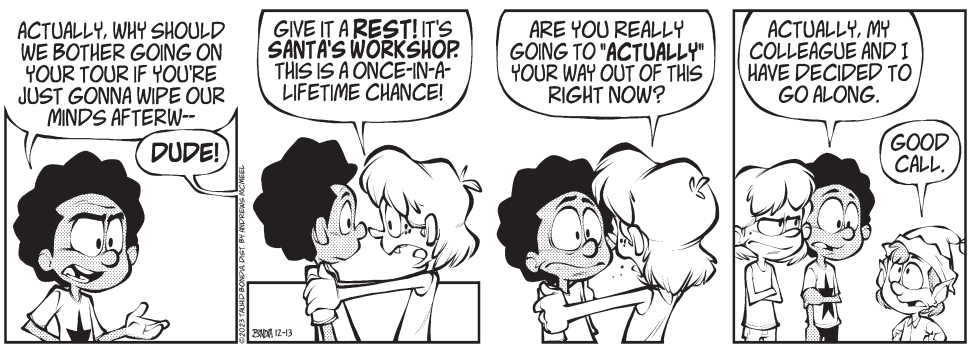
ACTUALLY, WHY SHOULD WE BOTHER GOING ON YOUR TOUR IF YOU'RE JUST GONNA WIPE OUR MINDS AFTERW--
DUDE!
GIVE IT A REST! IT'S SANTA'S WORKSHOP. THIS IS A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME CHANCE!
ARE YOU REALLY GOING TO "ACTUALLY" YOUR WAY OUT OF THIS RIGHT NOW?
ACTUALLY, MY COLLEAGUE AND I HAVE DECIDED TO GO ALONG.
GOOD CALL.
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GARFIELD

HEY, DOC BOY, HAPPY HOLIDAYS! HOW'S FARM LIFE?
YOU HAVE A QUESTION?
WELL, TECHNICALLY, YES. IF THE GOAT IS UNDER THE MISTLETOE, YOU DO HAVE TO KISS HER
I'LL BE LEAVING FOR MARS NOW
JIM DAVIS 12-13
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FORT KNOX

MOTHER, DO YOU KNOW WHY FATHER HATES MALLS?
BECAUSE HE DOESN'T LIKE SPENDING MONEY?
BECAUSE GRANDMOTHER ABANDONED HIM IN A SHOPPING MALL.
THAT'S HORRIBLE!
WHAT CAN WE DO TO HELP HIM COPE?
BUY HIM A CINNABON.
SALE! BUY
WHY?
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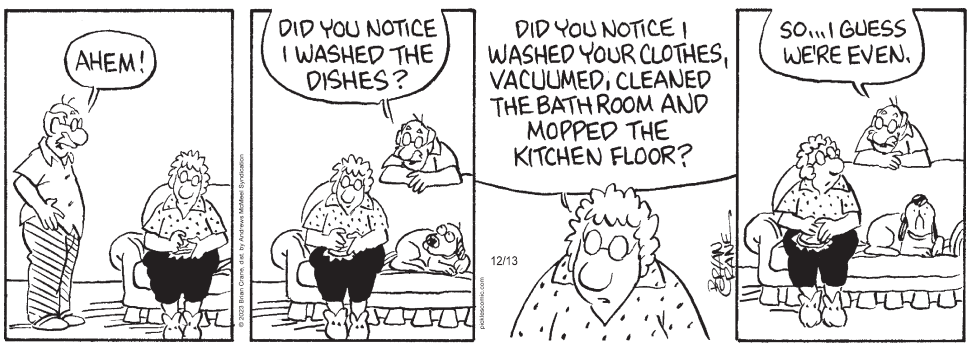
AHEM!
DID YOU NOTICE I WASHED THE DISHES?
DID YOU NOTICE I WASHED YOUR CLOTHES, VACUUMED, CLEANED THE BATHROOM AND MOPPED THE KITCHEN FLOOR?
SO...I GUESS WE'RE EVEN.
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 13, 2000, Republican George W. Bush claimed the presidency a day after the U.S. Supreme Court shut down further recounts of disputed ballots in Florida; Democrat Al Gore conceded, delivering a call for national unity.

On this date:

In 1862, Union forces led by Maj. Gen. Ambrose Burnside launched futile attacks against entrenched Confederate soldiers during the Civil War Battle of Fredericksburg; the soundly defeated Northern troops withdrew two days later.

In 1937, the Chinese city of Nanjing fell to Japanese forces during the Sino-Japanese War; what followed was a massacre of war prisoners, soldiers and citizens. (China maintains that up to 300,000 people were killed; Japanese nationalists say the death toll was far lower.)

In 1981, authorities in Poland imposed martial law in a crackdown on the Solidarity labor movement. (Martial law formally ended in 1983.)

In 1993, the space shuttle Endeavour returned from its mission to repair the Hubble Space Telescope.

In 1996, the U.N. Security Council chose Kofi Annan of Ghana to become the world body's seventh secretary-general.

In 2001, the Pentagon publicly released a captured videotape of Osama bin Laden in which the al-Qaida leader said the deaths and destruction achieved by the September 11 attacks exceeded his "most optimistic" expectations.

In 2002, President George W. Bush announced he would take the smallpox vaccine along with U.S. military forces, but was not recommending the potentially risky inoculation for most Americans.

In 2003, Saddam Hussein was captured by U.S. forces while hiding in a hole under a farmhouse in Adwar, Iraq, near his hometown of Tikrit.

In 2007, Major League Baseball's Mitchell Report was released, identifying 85 names to differing degrees in connection with the alleged use of performance-enhancing drugs.

In 2013, North Korea's state-run media announced the execution the day before of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un's uncle Jang Song Thaek, portraying him as a morally corrupt traitor.

In 2014, thousands of protesters marched in New York, Washington and other U.S. cities to call attention to the killing of unarmed Black men by white police officers who faced no criminal charges.

In 2019, the House Judiciary Committee approved two articles of impeachment accusing President Donald Trump of abuse of power in his dealings with Ukraine and obstruction of Congress in the investigation that followed.

In 2020, the first vials of the Pfizer vaccine against COVID-19 began making their way to distribution sites across the United States.

In 2022, President Joe Biden signed gay marriage legislation, saying "the law and the love it defends strike a blow against hate in all its forms."

Today's Birthdays: Actor-comedian Dick Van Dyke is 98. Country singer Buck White is 93. Music/film producer Lou Adler is 90. Singer John Davidson is 82. Actor Kathy Garver (TV: "Family Affair") is 78. Singer Ted Nugent is 75. Rock musician Jeff "Skunk" Baxter is 75. Actor Robert Lindsay is 74. Country singer-musician Randy Owen is 74. Actor Wendie Malick is 73. U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack is 73. Former Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke is 70. Country singer John Anderson is 69. Singer-songwriter Steve Forbert is 69. Singer-actor Morris Day is 67. Actor Steve Buscemi is 66. Actor Johnny Whitaker (TV: "Family Affair") is 64. Rock musician John Munson (Semisonic; Twilight Hours) is 61. Actor-reality TV star NeNe Leakes is 57. Actor-comedian Jamie Foxx is 56. Actor Lusia Strus is 56. Actor Bart Johnson is 53. Actor Jeffrey Pierce is 52. TV personality Debbie Matenopoulos is 49. Rock singer-musician Thomas Delonge is 48. Actor James Kyson Lee is 48. Actor Kimee Balmilero (TV: "Hawaii Five-0") is 44. Actor Chelsea Hertford is 42.

Mark Campbell

Concrete work is nearing completion on all but the splash pad at the new Crystal Beach Aquatic Center in downtown Madison. City officials said last week than construction on the new pool is on schedule and the city expects to take possession in May 2024 to be open on time for the 2024 season.

RATES

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for corporate party rentals in the months of June, July and August at a corporate rate of $800 for two hours.

The draft establishes operating hours from noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Sunday with programming times being specified outside of normal public operating hours.

In other business:

• Klein said efforts to develop master plans for Sunrise Golf Course and Rucker Sports Complex are moving forward with drones flying over both properties to survey the topography. Specific to Sunrise Golf Course, Klein said, "Part of our goal is to make the course longer and we want to look at those opportunities as well as looking at the addition of a driving range and some practice areas. This is really our first step towards that."

• After Visit Madison Inc. successfully tested a satellite office at the Main Street Comfort Station this fall, Klein said the city is working on a renovation plan to provide a permanent space in the lobby for the satellite office while also upgrading the restrooms. He said bids will be advertised for that work with hopes of receiving bids in January.

• Klein said structural repair on the floor at Brown Gym has been completed. "Everything is back normal," he said, noting the whole floor is back open for play.

• An occupancy agreement has been signed with RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program) to move into an office in the Madison Senior Center, which Klein expects to happen soon.

HEAVY

FROM **PAGE A1**

Commissioner Bobby Little said it will not affect them."We're not talking about farmers," Little said, citing an example of a semi tractor trailer hauling concrete slab as what the ordinance is targeting. "This isn't supposed to punish anybody but to help save our roads, and provide an avenue to go back if they get torn up."

The second reading of the ordinance is expected to be considered at the Commissioners' Thursday, Dec. 21, meeting.

In other business, the Commissioners:

• Accepted the highway department's annual bids for operations throughout the year. The bids were opened at the Nov. 16 Commissioners' meeting and taken under advisement until they could be reviewed. "It helps us keep all the prices locked in for the year," said Phillips.

• Approved culvert liner projects on Breeding Road at $38,585 and on 350N at $33,615, both from Critical Pipeline Repair. By doing both projects, Phillips said one of mobilization prices of $4,200 would be eliminated, thus decreasing that amount from the overall cost of the two culvert liners. He said both culverts are being left in place and being lined with wire and concrete rather than totally replaced. "That will get us another 50, and maybe 100 years of life out of the culvert," Phillips noted.

• Awarded a contract for repair of a structure on Little Brushy Fork Road to GeoStabilization International for $76,350 to reform a retaining wall to resolve an erosion problem. Phillips noted the numbers on the bids were "skewed" with the highest bid at $475,000 for a full structure replacement because it was originally put out to replace the structure. However, after further research, Phillips determined that the structure could be maintained through dealing with the erosion.

"The structure itself is sound," he said.

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BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Rebels roll over Batesville, New Washington

Photos by David Campbell

Southwestern's Peyton Cloud (3) shoots a 3-pointer during Saturday's game against Batesville. Cloud scored a career-high 36 points in the 85-52 Rebels win.

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Class 2A No. 6 Southwestern put together two impressive performances at home over the weekend, blowing out New Washington 81-54 Friday and Batesville 85-52 Saturday to remain unbeaten on the season.

Senior Peyton Cloud was the star of the weekend for the Rebels. After scoring 13 points in the win over New Washington, Cloud exploded for a career-high 36 points on just 16 shots in 22 minutes in the surprising blowout of the previously-ranked Bulldogs on Saturday.

Cloud went 8-for-9 from the 3-point line and was the star as Southwestern jumped out to a 24-8 lead after the first quarter and led by as many as 39 (78-39) in claiming the win. Overall, the Rebels shot 53% from the floor, hit 8-of-17 3-pointers and even went 11-for-14 from the free-throw line, all the while holding Batesville to 36% shooting.

Landon Kidwell added 10 points and nine rebounds for Southwestern, which had nine different players score in the game. Brothers Jamison Lewis and Braxton Lewis each had nine points while Jamison also had seven rebounds and five assists.

Cloud's 13 points led Southwestern on Friday against New Washington. Braxton Lewis had 12 points, Brady Cook scored 11 and Adam Traylor had 10.

Southwestern, now 5-0 on the season, hosts Jac-Cen-Del on Friday in a key Ohio River Valley Conference matchup. The Rebels then travel to Clarksville on Saturday.

CARROLL KNOCKS OFF TRIMBLE

Carroll County used balanced scoring to beat Trimble County 63-52 at home on Thursday.

Seth Franklin and Braden Stephenson each scored 16 points and Landon Groves had 15 to lead the Panthers. Grayson Kinman added eight points.

Ethan Horn scored 18 points while Ethan Keller and Hayden Webster had nine each for Trimble.

On Saturday, Carroll suffered a 74-42 loss to Walton-Verona. Kinman

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Southwestern's Landon Kidwell (34) pulls down a rebound during the Rebels' win over Batesville on Saturday.

Madison starts strong, but suffers loss to South Dearborn

David Campbell

Madison's Landon True (3) dribbles away from South Dearborn's Hudson Shackelford during Friday's game at Salm Gymnasium.

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

Despite six players out with various injuries, Madison put together a strong showing to fall just three points short, 47-44 to South Dearborn at home on Friday in the Cubs' home opener.

Madison held a 44-43 lead with three minutes to go and forced two South Dearborn turnovers down the stretch. However, the visiting Knights took the lead for good on Hudson Shackelford's basket with 2:35 to play and the Cubs' Landon True missed a chance to put Madison back on top with 15 seconds to go when his 3-pointer just barely missed.

South Dearborn broke the Madison press and Conor Huff scored on a layup with four seconds to go but the Cubs still had a chance until the Knights' stole the Madison inbounds pass to end the threat.

Despite coming up on the wrong end of the score, Madison coach Adam Stotts was pleased with his team's play, especially considering the firepower that was sitting on his bench in street clothes.

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HANOVER ROUNDUP

Panther basketball teams each exceed 90 points in sweep of Defiance

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Hanover shot 55% from the floor and had 16 different players score in a 95-52 win over Defiance in men's basketball at home on Saturday.

The Panthers dominated the action from the start, leading 45-22 at halftime and scoring 50 points in the second half to move to 2-0 in Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference play.

Max Greenamoyer scored 21 points on 8-of-12 shooting to lead Hanover while Matt Munoz had 11 points and C.J. Walls scored eight points.

Hanover, now 5-3 overall, hosts Rose-Hulman on Wednesday and hosts Mount St. Joseph on Saturday.

WOMEN HAMMER DEFIANCE

Hanover women's basketball rolled over Defiance 96-43 at home on Saturday.

The Panthers blew open the game in the first and third quarters to lead 28-4 after the first quarter and then use a 29-5 blitz in the third to turn the game into a rout.

Grace Bezold scored 32 points on 12-of-15 shooting and added seven rebounds to lead the Panthers.

Reagan Martin had 12 points and five rebounds and Reese Sexton had 10 points. Thirteen different players scored for Hanover.

Hanover, now 3-4 overall and 2-0 in the HCAC, travels to Rose-Hulman on Wednesday and heads to Mount St. Joseph on Saturday.

LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

TUESDAY, DEC. 12

BASKETBALL

Switzerland Co. girls host South Ripley, 6 p.m.

Shawe girls at Trinity Lutheran, 6:30 p.m.

Carroll Co. boys at Henry Co., 7:30 p.m.

Trimble Co. boys host Eminence, 7:30 p.m.

SWIMMING

Madison at Jeffersonville, 6 p.m.

Southwestern hosts Shawe, Charlestown, 6 p.m.

Switzerland Co. hosts Rivertown Classic, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13

BASKETBALL

Hanover men host Rose-Hulman, 7:30 p.m.

Hanover women at Rose-Hulman, 7:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

Switzerland Co. hosts Milan, 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DEC. 14

BASKETBALL

Shawe girls at Henryville, 6 p.m.

Carroll Co. girls host Owen Co., 7:30 p.m.

Madison girls host Jennings Co., 7:30 p.m.

Southwestern girls host Rock Creek, 7:30 p.m.

Switzerland Co. girls host Hauser, 7:30 p.m.

Trimble Co. girls at Gallatin Co., 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, DEC. 15

BASKETBALL

Carroll Co. boys host Owen Co., 7:30 p.m.

Shawe boys at Crothersville, 7:30 p.m.

Southwestern hosts Jac-Cen-Del, 7:30 p.m.

Trimble Co. boys at Gallatin Co., 7:30 p.m.

Trimble Co. girls host Williamstown, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Photos by David Campbell

Shawe's Hunter Mote (10) dribbles against the Switzerland County defense of Bri Stow (34) as the Pacers' Courtney Higgins (11) fights through a screen set by Shawe's Yolett Perez and Macy Collier (15) waits under the basket during Saturday's game in Madison.

Switzerland pulls away from stricken Shawe for 13-point win

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Switzerland County pounced on Shawe early and rolled to a 53-40 win in girls basketball Saturday in Madison.

The Pacers jumped out to a 15-4 lead after the first quarter and never looked back.

Switzerland took a 45-22 lead into the fourth quarter before clearing its bench.

Courtney Higgins had 15 points, six assists, three rebounds and three steals for Switzerland County while Macy Collier had 12 points and four rebounds and Halle Archer had nine points, three assists and four rebounds.

Ava Turner led Shawe with 17 points and Hunter Mote had 10. Allison Knoebel, the team's leading scorer, played with a hamstring injury and managed just three points.

On Thursday, Shawe suffered a 41-19 loss at South Ripley. Knoebel led the way with seven points and five rebounds while Turner had five points and eight rebounds and Mote scored four points.

Switzerland, now 7-4 overall and 2-0 in the Ohio River Valley Conference, hosts South Ripley on Tuesday and Hauser on Thursday.

Shawe, now 2-6 overall and 0-3 in the ORVC, travels to Trinity Lutheran on Tuesday and to Henryville on Thursday.

REBELS CLAIM 2 WINS

Southwestern picked up wins over New Washington and South Central to climb over .500 for the first time this season.

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Switzerland Ciounty's Macy Collier (15) shoots over Shawe's Ava Turner (3) during Saturday's game at Shawe.

Madison swimmers suffer dual meet loss at Floyd but rebound to beat Greensburg

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison's swim teams lost a dual meet at Floyd Central but recovered two days later to win a dual meet at Greensburg.

The girls fell to Floyd 119-50 while the boys lost 122-56. Two days later the Cubs rebounded with the girls winning 104-37 and the boys 91-59.

"It was a rough night in the pool for both teams against a very solid Floyd team, probably the best team in Southern Indiana," Madison coach John Schutte said. "While the team had some great swims and fast times, we had several things on our mind that night and we just weren't firing on all cylinders. I was very proud of both teams rebounding after a tough loss. We were back to our normal selves against Greensburg and swimming at the level expected of the team."

Top results for the Madison girls versus Floyd were: Reilly Kuppler, first, 50 free, 25.93, and first, 100 free, 57.10; Lilly Canida, second, 100 fly, 1:03.58, and third, 100 back 1:04.48; Avery Johnson, Lilly Canida, Annalise Roney, and Reilly Kuppler, 200 medley relay, third, 2:02.17; Lilly Canida, Avery Johnson, Annalise Roney, and Reilly Kuppler, second, 200 free relay, 1:49.74.

Top results for the Madison boys versus Floyd were: Cam Sever, first, 50 free, 22.53, and first, 100 free, 49.46; Garrett Klein, second, 500 free, 5:38.01; Cole Goodnight, third, 100 back, 1:05.38; Graham Klein, Cole Goodnight, Garret Klein, and Cam Sever, second, 200 medley relay, 1:53.08; Graham Klein, Cole Goodnight, Kyle Roney, and Cam Sever, second, 200 free relay, 1:36.08; Garrett Klein, Tucker Whitaker, Beckham Cornelius, and Kyle Roney, second, 400 free relay, 3:57.42.

The Cubs overcame adversity and defeated Greensburg in both girls and boys events winning 19 of the 21 events and besting many personal times.

"This was an impressive night," said coach Schutte. "The team really stepped up their game and swam many personal best times."

Top finishes for the Madison Girls versus Greensburg were: Emma Wynn, first, 200 free, 2:22.56, and second, 50 free, 29.63; Avery Johnson, first, 200 IM, 2:35.40, and first, 100 back, 1:09.48; Lilly Canida, first, 50 free, 26.25; Sophie Guirguis, first, 100 fly, 1:26.77; Reilly Kuppler, first, 100 free, 58.62, and first, 100 breast, 1:19.26; Penelope Bibbs, first, 500 free, 6:39.28, and

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Southwestern swimmers earn 3 wins at Seymour

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Southwestern swimmers claimed three individual wins and Switzerland County's team finished second overall with a combined 766 points at the Seymour "S" Super Dual Invitational on Saturday.

The Lady Pacers placed second with 419 points in the girls meet while the boys were fourth with 347. Host Seymour won the meet with a combined 1,870 points, Southwestern was sixth with 455 and Shawe was eighth with 141.

Southwestern's Natalee Crawford picked up two wins and Raygan Crawford had one on the day for the Rebels. Natalee won the 200-yard freestyle in 2:12.85 and the 100 freestyle in 58.30 while Raygan won the 100 backstroke in 1:08.51.

Other finishes for the Southwestern girls were: Natalee Crawford, Adalei Watson, Raygan Crawford and Alexis Wells-Dean, second, 200 medley relay, 2:18.65; Raygan Crawford, third, 100 fly, 1:10.20; Wells-Dean, fifth, 50 free, 32.22 and fifth, 100 back, 1:22.91; and Watson, fifth, 500 free, 7:44.50 and eighth, 100 breast, 1:38.25.

Finishes for Southwestern's boys were: Forrest Deutscher, 10th, 50 free, 43.03 and 12th, 100 free, 1:42.67, Robert De Paz Gonzalez, 11th, 50 free, 43.79 and 14th, 100 free, 2:01.74; and Shane Hardy, 12th, 50 free, 45.35 and 13th, 100 free, 1:47.81.

Switzerland failed to claim a win but had several podium finishes on the day and amassed a lot of points.

Top results for the Pacer girls were: Kaelin Taylor, second, 500 free, 6:51.69 and fifth, 100 breast, 1:32.92; Ava Cole, Kaelin Taylor, Molly Hicks and Piper Taylor, third, 200 medley relay, 2:26.31; Molly Hicks, fourth, 200 IM, 3:00.69; Piper Taylor, fourth, 200 free, 2:32.23; Kaelin Taylor, Eva Hicks, Molly Hicks and Cole, fourth, 200 free relay, 2:09.52; Cole, fifth, 100 fly, 1:21.55; and Eva Hicks, fifth, 100 free, 1:16.71.

Top finishes for the Switzerland boys were: Caleb Ridener, second, 200 IM, 2:27.67 and third, 100 back, 1:05.41; Derek Hoskins, third, 100 fly, 1:05.47 and sixth, 100 breast, 1:20.41; Seth Burke, Ridener, Hoskins and Harlowe Haines, third, 200 medley relay, 2:19.90 and fourth, 200 free relay, 2:14.22; and Haines, eighth, 200 free, 2:41.77.

Shawe's Matthew Vaughn placed second in the boys 50 freestyle in 24.32 and fifth in the boys 100 butterfly in 1:06.30, and teammate Orin Elkins was sixth in the boys 100 freestyle in 1:07.63 and seventh in the boys 100 backstroke in 1:24.13.

REBELS HOST 4 TEAMS

Southwestern's swim teams hosted a five-way meet in Hanover on Thursday.

The Lady Rebels claimed six wins on the day. Raygan Crawford won the 100 butterfly ion 1:13.13 and then 100 backstroke in 1:08.70 and Natalee Crawford won the 200 individual medley in 2:27.94 and the 100 breaststroke in 1:22.35. The two Crawfords then teamed with Watson and Dean-Wells to win the 200 medley relay in 2:18.82 and the 200 freestyle relay in 2:01.77.

Dean-Wells was also second in the 500 freestyle in 7:25.69 and Watson was third in 500 in 7:27.10.

Shawe's Vaughn claimed victory in the boys 200 freestyle in 1:57.80 and was second in the 100 backstroke in 1:03.40. Teammate Elkins was sixth in the 50 freestyle in 31.29 and seventh in the 100 freestyle in 1:15.62.

Southwestern's De Paz Gonzalez was 11th in the boys 100 freestyle in 1:51.41 and 12th in the 50 freestyle in 43.82.

Southwestern hosts Shawe and Charlestown on Tuesday and competes at Floyd Central on Saturday.

PACERS WIN TRI-MEET

On Thursday, Switzerland County's girls defeated Oldenburg Academy and South Ripley in a tri-meet at home, scoring 83 points to Oldenburg's 63 and South Ripley's 21. Oldenburg won the boys meet with 84 points, South Ripley was second with 68 and Switzerland was third with 56.

Switzerland's girls had seven wins on the day to secure the victory.

Top three finishes for the Pacer girls were: Kaelin Taylor, first, 200 free and first, 500 free; Piper Taylor, first, 200 IM and second, 500 free; Ava Cole, first, 100 fly and first, 100 back; Cole, Kaelin Taylor, Molly Hicks and Piper Taylor, first, 200 medley relay; Kaelin Taylor, Molly Hicks, Eva Hicks and Cole, first, 200 free relay; Molly Hicks, second, 100 back and third, 50 free; and Eva Hicks, third, 100 breast.

Top finishes for the Switzerland boys were: Haines, first, 200 free and second, 500 free; Hoskins, first, 100 fly and third, 100 breast; Ridener, second, 100 free; Ridener, Haines, Burke and Hoskins, second, 200 free relay and third, 200 medley relay; and Burke, fourth, 100 back and fifth, 50 free.

Switzerland hosts the Rivertown Classic on Tuesday and hosts Lanesville and South Ripley on Saturday.

WRESTLING ROUNDUP

Madison grapplers go 3-2 to finish in 5th place at Columbus North

BY THE COURIER STAFF

Madison wrestling went 3-2 to place fifth in the Columbus North Duals on Saturday.

The Cubs opened the day with a 54-21 loss to eventual champion Columbus North then lost 54-24 to Cascade. Madison then rebounded to beat Guerin Catholic 60-6, Brown County 54-23 and Western Boone 40-30 to finish fifth.

Eli Stewart and Ayden Waggoner each went 5-0 on the day in their respective weight classes to lead Madison. Stewart, wrestling at 120 pounds, picked up two wins by pin/fall, one by technical fall and two by forfeit while Waggoner, at 175 pounds, won all five of his matches by pin/fall.

Ethan Pittman (113 pounds), Izik Roberts (132) and Taye Labolt (165) each were 4-1 on the day while Drew Zuckschwerdt (126) went 3-2. Trenton Bivens (138), Owen Colwell (144), Zane Skinner (150) and Landon Gregory (157) were each 2-3 and Don Chen (215) went 1-4.

Madison competes in the Columbus East Invitational on Saturday.

REBELS 9TH AT EVANSVILLE

Southwestern competed in the Evansville Memorial Invitational on Saturday, placing ninth out of 11 teams.

Evansville North won the event with 254 points while Southwestern scored 34 points to tie Crawford County for ninth.

Aaron Dominguez had the best day for the Rebels, winning all three of his matches and reaching the championship of the 106-pound weight class before falling in a technical fall to Indian Creek's Jude Heaston.

Ayden Bowling (113 pounds) and Elliot Brooks (157) each placed fourth in their respective weigh classes. Damien Hernandez-Perez (138) won three matches but did not place while Case Lawson (144) and Gage Pennington each won two matches.

Southwestern competes in the East Central Invitational on Saturday.

Backup QB Browning shines as Bengals pound visiting Colts 34-14

BY MITCH STACY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — In a span of six days, Jake Browning has gone from Joe Burrow's little-known backup to the potential savior of the Bengals' season.

Making his third NFL start, the 27-year-old Browning was outstanding again on Sunday, throwing two touchdown passes and rushing for a score as Cincinnati beat the Indianapolis Colts 34-14.

With Burrow out for the season with a wrist injury, the Bengals seemed in danger of slipping into irrelevance before Browning threw for 354 yards and a touchdown in a win at Jacksonville last Monday night.

Browning's follow-up performance was just as good, and it kept the Bengals (7-6) in the mix for a playoff spot. He completed 18 of 24 passes for 275 yards with an interception against the playoff-contending Colts (7-6), whose four-game winning streak ended.

"He's playing his butt off," said Cincinnati receiver Tee Higgins, who caught two passes for 72 yards. "He's playing like a true No. 1 quarterback, and that's all you can ask for."

Gardner Minshew threw for 240 yards with a touchdown and an interception for the Colts, whose offense stalled after halftime.

The game was tied at 14-all at the break, but Indy's first four second-half possessions ended with two punts, a pick thrown by Minshew and a failed fourth-down attempt.

"A lot of self-inflected wounds," Minshew said.

Meanwhile, the Bengals scored on their first two drives of the second half — an 11-yard TD grab by Tanner Hudson and a 1-yard keeper by Browning.

"It was just one of those days," Indianapolis coach Shane Steichen said. "It was not our day. I have full confidence in that group in that locker room that we'll get it cleaned up."

Rookie running back Chase Brown had a 54-yard touchdown reception for the Bengals that opened the scoring. Brown grabbed a short pass out of the backfield and raced untouched down the right sideline, juking safety Rodney Thompson II at the 6-yard-line on the way to the end zone.

After Colts kicker Matt Gay bounced a 38-yard field goal attempt off the left upright, the Bengals scored again. Benefiting from two Indianapolis penalties, Cincinnati put together a 72-yard drive that Joe Mixon finished with a 1-yard TD plunge.

The Colts kept the ball for the next 8:22, and Minshew threw a 2-yard touchdown pass to Mo Alie-Cox.

Indianapolis needed just 25 seconds to score again. Browning's off-target pass deflected off Hudson's hand and directly to Colts linebacker Ronnie Harrison Jr., who ran it back 36 yards for a TD.

TWO-HEADED MONSTER

Mixon rushed for 79 yards on 21 carries and had three receptions for 46 yards. Brown contributed 80 yards receiving and 25 yards rushing. Each scored a touchdown.

"It's a great feeling," Mixon said. "The vibes are up over here. Everybody's doing whatever they can to contribute to the team, and I feel like everybody's playing complementary football."

DEFENSE STEPS UP

Statistically, the Cincinnati defense is among the worst in the NFL, especially against the run. But the Bengals held the Colts to 46 yards rushing and shut out Indianapolis in the second half. The unit forced two turnovers and sacked Minshew three times. Trey Hendrickson had two sacks, giving him 13 ½ for the season.

A DECENT JOE

Burrow provided his suite at Paycor Stadium to Browning, who invited family and friends from California to watch the game.

"Burrow was nice to give us tickets," Browning said. "It's better than sitting outside. We're from California and not used to the cold. Well, I am, but they're not."

INJURIES

Browning went to the locker room with muscle cramps in his throwing hand in the fourth quarter but returned. He said his hand was locking up because of the cramps but he was OK after getting intravenous fluids.

"It was embarrassing," he said.

UP NEXT

The Colts host Pittsburgh on Saturday (**TV:** Live on CBS at 4:30 p.m.).

The Bengals host Minnesota on Saturday (**TV:** Live on NFL at 1 p.m.).

Indy falls to Cincy, still in playoff hunt

BY MITCH STACY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Indianapolis Colts had managed to get into playoff contention without their starting quarterback and star running back.

But their four-game winning streak ended Sunday as they were routed by the Cincinnati Bengals 34-14. Coach Shane Steichen acknowledged he wasn't sure how it happened.

"I wish I had an answer for you," he said. "I really do."

The Colts were humming along with backup quarterback Gardner Minshew, who had engineered wins over four struggling teams: Carolina, New England, Tampa Bay and Tennessee. But against the suddenly resurgent Bengals, Minshew and the Colts (7-6) made too many mistakes to keep it going.

"A lot of self-inflicted stuff happened out there (Sunday)," Steichen said. "We had a drive going, and a penalty moves us back. We have another drive going, and another penalty moves us back. We have a holding call. A lot of stuff."

Rookie quarterback Anthony Richardson went down with a season-ending shoulder injury in Week 5, and 2021 rushing champion Jonathan Taylor has missed five of 12 games with ankle and thumb injuries.

Minshew, a backup for most of his career, has been serviceable. Against the Bengals, he was 26 of 39 for 240 yards with a touchdown and an interception. His touchdown pass to Moe Alie-Cox in the second quarter was the only offensive score by the Colts. Minshew was sacked three times.

Indy was penalized nine times for 66 yards and was held to 46 yards rushing.

"We've been doing some good things, and today we just couldn't figure it out," said Zack Moss, who carried the ball 13 times for 28 yards.

"Today wasn't what we're about and what we want to be about. We have to figure it out," Minshew said.

"I think we should still have a lot of confidence in the body of work we put on tape this year and the work we've done together," the QB added. "So I think we're going to come together, get better and be ready to go next Saturday."

Indianapolis hosts the Pittsburgh Steelers, who have lost two straight games and like the Colts are 7-6. Both teams are still in the playoff picture but could easily fall behind in the tightly bunched AFC.

"We've still got everything we want right ahead of us," tight end Will Mallory said. "So we've just got to handle business this upcoming weekend. This one stings but you've got to move on."

Pacers guard Haliburton shows off at NBA In-Season Tournament

BY W.G. RAMIREZ
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS — Indiana Pacers guard Tyrese Haliburton just wants to win.

He doesn't care about his stats, he doesn't want to be put in any conversations regarding All-Star teams, and he certainly isn't interested in talks about being an MVP candidate.

He just wants to win.

And while it may not have happened Saturday night, when the Los Angeles Lakers beat Indiana 123-109 in the inaugural In-Season Tournament championship game, the rest of the league should be on notice about Haliburton and Pacers.

"I think last year we snuck up on teams, teams didn't really know what to expect," said Haliburton, who had 20 points and 11 assists. "But I think now when you play the Pacers you know what to expect. ... Obviously, people didn't expect us to get here, the championship game, but I think teams are prepared for us."

Indiana gets back to the regular season Monday night with the league's No. 1 offense, which is averaging 128.4 points, led by Haliburton who is averaging 26.9 points, 4.2 rebounds and a league-high 12.1 assists.

And whether he likes it or not, those numbers have him almost assuredly on his way to a second straight All-Star appearance and have placed him in early-season MVP chatter.

In seven tournament games, he led all players who made it to the final with an average of 26.7 points per game on 52.4% shooting, and had 13.3 assists per contest.

"Tyrese is a great young player that has all the tools, has the personality and has the desire," Indiana coach Rick Carlisle said. "The month, seven weeks that he's put together so far in this season, people are talking about him for MVP, and rightly so.

"He was completely unfazed by the limelight and it brought his game to a higher level (during tournament games). Like Reggie Miller, he's very similar to him. Body type stature, personality, and just overall character. He wants the responsibility for winning and losing. And he wants it unconditionally, and that's special."

Special enough that NBA commissioner Adam Silver loved the championship storyline of having one of the most storied players in NBA history — LeBron James — facing a young team with a budding star who's just beginning to author his story.

"I think fans on a national level forget that he was an All-Star last year, so he has been recognized already as a top player," Silver said.

Just don't tell him that.

"People have said MVP, or all-NBA All Star or whatever," Haliburton said. "But at the end of the day I just want to play basketball and I want to succeed as a team."

Davis' 41 points leads Lakers to In-Season title 123-109 over Pacers

BY MARK ANDERSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAS VEGAS — As Commissioner Adam Silver prepared to hand LeBron James the MVP trophy of the inaugural NBA In-Season Tournament, he cautioned that "it doesn't come with a franchise."

James bent over in laughter, but he has been serious about wanting to own an NBA expansion team in Las Vegas.

For now, he'll more than settle for the individual honor and tournament championship after scoring 24 points and adding 11 rebounds Saturday night to help the Los Angeles Lakers beat the Indiana Pacers 123-109 in the final.

"My enthusiasm about being here post-career, bringing a team here has not changed," James said. "The fans are amazing here. They have everything already: WNBA team, they have a baseball team (Athletics) coming in soon, NFL team, hockey team, F1 (Formula One) was just here. This is a place that loves great attractions, and I think the NBA will be another great addition to this city."

As well as James played Saturday, the star was teammate Anthony Davis, who had 41 points and 20 rebounds — numbers that would have been season highs if they counted. This is the only game in the tournament that doesn't figure in the standings or statistics.

Davis also shot 16 of 24, had five assists and blocked four shots.

"They're a hell of a one-two punch," Lakers coach Darvin Ham said about James and Davis. "That one or two could be either one of them on any given night. At the end of the day, they know how to take it to the next level when everything is on the line."

Los Angeles is the first In-Season Tournament champion because the two headliners received plenty of help.

Austin Reaves scored 28 points, D'Angelo Russell added 13 points and Cam Reddish set the tone defensively by limiting the damage by Indiana's Tyrese Haliburton, who emerged as one of the faces of this tournament.

He had 20 points and 11 assists against the Lakers, often passing to a teammate rather than trying to force the action.

"(Reddish) didn't score a lot (nine points), but I felt like he was one of the best players on the court with the way he defended and really changed the game on that end of the floor," Reaves said.

Also for the Pacers, Bennedict Mathurin scored 20 points and Aaron Nesmith had 15.

In addition to taking home a trophy, Lakers players on standard contracts each made $500,000 and the Pacers received $200,000 apiece. Players on two-way deals take home half those amounts.

The tournament and the title game had a combination of a NBA playoff and one-and-done NCAA Tournament kind of atmosphere, and the Pacers and Lakers played as if their seasons were on the line.

Los Angeles making it Las Vegas where it was essentially the home team before a sell-out crowd played Sunday like it had been here before. The situation was different for the Pacers, who are still trying to prove they are a championship-level team.

"We just got outplayed tonight from the start of the game to the end of the game," Haliburton said. "Just didn't do the job on loose balls, didn't rebound, didn't get enough stops when needed. They just outplayed us, and it's frustrating. It's funny because everybody says this has the NCAA Tournament feel, but after a game like that you're sitting in the locker room going, 'Most of us ain't graduating.' We play on Monday."

The Lakers led most of the game, though Indiana kept in striking distance until Los Angeles went on a 15-3 run late in the fourth quarter to turn in a 100-96 lead into a 115-99 advantage.

"Our guys got a real taste of what the elevated stage is all about," Pacers coach Rick Carlisle said. "It's so important to have this experience, to feel the intensity, to feel the glare and the glow and to find out what it means to be totally together in an effort to conquer it. We conquered a lot of challenges along the way. This one tonight was a little too steep."

PULLS

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On Thursday, Southwestern picked up a 51-42 win over New Washington on the road.

Ashley Fulton scored 18 points and had five rebounds and five assists to lead the way while Chloey Leach had 12 points and six rebounds. Rorie Scroggins added eight points and eight rebounds.

The Rebels dominated the boards in a 58-55 win over South Central on Saturday. Leach and Rorie Scroggins each had double-doubles with Leach scoring 12 points and grabbing 10 rebounds and Scroggins scored 11 points to go with 10 rebounds. Fulton had 11 points and seven rebounds and Harlee Hill had eight points and 12 rebounds.

Southwestern, now 6-5 on the season, hosts Rock Creek Academy on Thursday.

MADISON FALLS TO SEYMOUR

Madison suffered a 57-47 loss at Seymour on Saturday.

Juliana Davis had 19 points, five rebounds and three steals to lead the Cubs. Hannah Dart had eight points and three steals and Bailey Owens and Mylee McQueary scored five points each.

Madison, now 7-3 on the season, hosts Class 4A No. 8 Jennings County on Thursday and hosts Class A No. 1 Borden on Saturday.

TRIMBLE KNOCKS OFF CARROLL

Addison Edmondson scored 30 points to lead Trimble County to a 63-46 win at Carroll County on Thursday.

Ainslie Stark scored 14 points for Trimble and Jolie Wilcoxson added eight points. Kaitlyn Hensley scored 17 points and Chloe McGuire had 14 points to lead Carroll.

Trimble, now 2-1 overall and 1-0 in the 31st District, hosted Eminence on Monday and travels to Gallatin County on Thursday. The Raiders then host Williamstown on Friday.

Carroll, now 1-2 overall and 0-1 in district play, traveled to Henry County on Monday and host Owen County on Thursday.

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Madison travels to Jeffersonville on Tuesday for their final swim meet before the holidays.

Auburn cruises over Indiana 104-76

Holloway, Williams each score 24

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Aden Holloway and Jaylin Williams each scored 24 points and Auburn rolled over Indiana 104-76 on Saturday.

Holloway was 5 of 8 on 3-point attempts while Williams added seven assists. K.D. Johnson added 14 points, Denver Jones 12, Chris Baker-Mazara 11 and Tre Donaldson 10 for the Tigers (6-2), who rebounded from a 69-64 loss at Appalachian State.

Auburn shot 49%, made 14 of 29 3-point tries, 20 of 23 from the line and had only three turnovers while scoring 15 points off 12 by Indiana.

Malik Reneau scored 15 points, Kel'el Ware added 13, Gabe Cupps 11 and Mackenzie Mgbako 10 for the Hoosiers (7-2), who had a four-game win streak snapped. Indiana shot 43% and made 6 of 17 from the arc.

The Hoosiers cut into an 19-point deficit with an 8-0 run in the second half but Williams, Baker-Mazara and Johnson hit 3-pointers in an 11-1 run for a 21-point lead with 13 minutes remaining. The lead remained comfortably in double figures.

The last time Indiana gave up 100 points in regulation was a 101-86 loss to North Carolina in a 2016 Sweet 16 matchup.

Indiana had a 12-point lead through the first seven minutes but was outscored 42-12 the remainder of the half as the Tigers took a 52-34 halftime lead behind 12 points from Jones and 11 by Holloway.

Auburn next plays UNC Asheville in Huntsville, Alabama, on Wednesday. Indiana is host to Kansas next Saturday.

Edey matches season high with 35 as No. 4 Purdue beats 'Bama in Toronto

BY IAN HARRISON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TORONTO — Zach Edey matched his season high with 35 points in his hometown, Braden Smith had a season-high 27 points and No. 4 Purdue rallied to beat Alabama 92-86 on Saturday.

In front of a pro-Purdue crowd in Canada that included several of his friends and family, Edey played in his home city for the first time since 2016-17, when he was a sophomore in high school.

"It's amazing to be back," Edey said. "They really came out, they showed love, they really supported us. Every time we needed a pick-me-up, the crowd was there for us."

The senior center made 11 free throws without a miss and was 12 for 20 from the field. He also had seven rebounds.

"Obviously, Zach Edey is a leading candidate for national player of the year," Alabama coach Nate Oats said. "You can see why, he's a tough cover. We didn't do a terrible job on him and he had 35 points. He makes things difficult."

Edey passed Robbie Hummel to move into the top 10 on Purdue's career scoring list.

"He's a cornerstone of our program," Boilermakers coach Matt Painter said of Edey. "Being able to schedule this game and get him back here was great. We should do this, you know, for everything he's done for us."

Edey stayed on the court after the game to salute the crowd, then shared a hug with his mother, who came down from the stands to give her son one of the shirts his group all wore: a yellow tee with 'Welcome to Zach's House' printed in black letters across the chest.

Smith shot 9 for 20 and had eight assists for Purdue (9-1), which has won 32 straight nonconference regular-season games.

"He was big time," Painter said. "I thought Braden made great decisions all night."

The Boilermakers connected on 24 of 28 free-throw attempts.

Mark Sears scored a season-high 35 points for Alabama (6-3), going 8 for 16 from 3-point range, but the Crimson Tide lost for the third time in six games. Alabama has not won consecutive games since starting the season 4-0.

Purdue took its first lead of the game, 62-60, on a 3-pointer by Mason Gillis with 11:24 left in the second half. After Alabama missed, Smith capped a 12-0 run with another 3, putting the Boilermakers up 65-60.

Sears connected on four of six attempts from long range in the first half, when 13 of Alabama's 15 made baskets were 3-pointers. The Crimson Tide led 49-47 at the intermission.

Stewart to drive NHRA Top Fuel dragster as Pruett starts family

BY JENNA FRYER
AP AUTO RACING WRITER

Leah Pruett will step away from the NHRA drag racing series in 2024 to focus on starting a family with Tony Stewart. Her NASCAR Hall of Famer husband will replace her next season in the Top Fuel dragster that Pruett drove to a career-best third-place finish in the NHRA standings this year.

Pruett and Stewart married just over two years ago.

"This is an incredibly personal decision, and what led to making this decision are other personal situations that have happened in my life and our lives," Pruett told The Associated Press in an interview with Stewart.

"Time is not on anyone's side and time is not gender neutral. But when it comes to being a female and a female racer, time is particularly not on your side," she said. "One of the decision-making factors was, 'What do we want our life to look like when we have a family?' And it is easy to sit back and have the immediate view that we've got this killer race team and we can do what we didn't do this year — which is win a championship.

"But stepping back and thinking about long-term and what our family looks like, it was just the right time at the right decision."

Pruett won two races this season in the Dodge Top Fuel dragster driving for Tony Stewart Racing, which won the Funny Car championship with Matt Hagan. Pruett has 12 career Top Fuel victories. Stewart ran the full NHRA season in 2023 in the Top Alcohol Dragster class.

Pruett turns 36 in May, six days after Stewart will celebrate his 53rd birthday. The two became inseparable in 2020 during the early days of the pandemic and Stewart, who had already retired from full-time racing, turned his attention to drag racing.

The three-time NASCAR champion and one-time IndyCar champion fell 21 points short in his first season of becoming the first driver to complete the trifecta with an NHRA title. He scored four wins in his first full year of NHRA competition as a driver, and has expanded his racing empire to field Dodge dragsters for Pruett and two-time Funny Car champion Hagan the last two seasons.

Stewart's racing properties include Stewart-Haas Racing in NASCAR, the Tony Stewart Racing sprint car team, the Superstar Racing Experience all-star series and ownership in several grassroots race tracks across the U.S.

The decision for Pruett to take 2024 off to focus on starting a family was made earlier this year and would not have changed even if she had won the Top Fuel championship.

Pruett told AP she suffers from Hashimoto's thyroiditis, an autoimmune disorder that prevents her thyroid from producing enough hormones. She's unsure how her condition will affect her attempt to get pregnant.

"That plays a part into my health, which means I need more time to start a family," she told AP. "The reason I bring that up is because people can relate to that and there's a human element beyond just 'Oh, it's the right time for us and everything is so great for us.'

"Hashimoto's gives me a lot of challenges throughout the year in racing and it took a lot to get that under control just to race, more or less under control to start a family," she said. "There are no guarantees or promises on when I will be back in the seat, but I have every intention of returning as soon as I can. Everything in my heart says that I will return to driving Top Fuel as soon as I feel ready."

As for Stewart, the team owner, taking over his wife's seat, Stewart was adamant it was a team decision made by Pruett and crew chief Neal Strausbaugh after the duo scoured the market for available replacements.

"My goal is to not suck, to not get fired by my wife and to not kill myself driving this thing," Stewart said after making the announcement Thursday in Indianapolis.

He insisted he did not ask for the job or pressure the team into choosing him to fill his wife's seat. In the end, the progress he showed in one season racing the Top Alcohol dragster and his immersion with the team made him the natural choice.

TUESDAY EVENING

	Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	WAV..	News	The Voice		The Voice (N)		Found (N)		WAV..
4 WTTV	4		CBS4..	CBSN..	BigBa..	Sheldon	NCIS (N)		Big Bro. (N)		FBI True (N)		CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	The Voice		The Voice (N)		Found (N)		News
8 WISH	12		News (N)		Inside..	ET (N)	Inside the NFL		Whose..	Whose..	News (N)		News
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Extra	S. Claus		Light Fight (N)				News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	S. Claus		Light Fight (N)				News
15 WKPC	13		Gub.-March (N)		NewsHour (N)		Season-Light (N)			RealBe..	Frontline (N)		Inaug.
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	Jeopar..	Masked "Holiday Sing-Along" (N)				FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBSN..	Wheel	Jeopar..	NCIS (N)		Big Bro. (N)		FBI True (N)		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	House..	Sheldon	BigBa..	Inside the NFL		Whose..	Whose..	BigBa..	Sheldon	LastM..
41 WDRB	8	9	WDR..	News	FamFe..	FamFe..	Masked "Holiday Sing-Along" (N)				WDRB News		WDR..
A&E	28	36	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighb..	Neighbor. (N)		Customer (N)		Custo..
AMC	29	26	★★★★ Elf ('03) Will Ferrell.				★★★ Christmas With the Kranks				★★★ Four Christmases		
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	(:20) The Office		Office	Office	Office	Office	DailyS..
DISC	31	38	Expedition X		Expedition		Expedition X		Expedition X		Expedition X		Expedi..
DISN	25	29	Hailey	Hailey	★ Zombies 3: Sing-Along...			Ghost	Ghost	Phineas	Ladyb..	Ladyb..	Jessie
ESPN	32	44	SportCtr (N)		SportC..	NHL Hockey					NHL Hockey		
FREE	18	40	★ Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas				★ Godmothered ('20) Isla Fisher.						700Club
FX	40	28	(4:30) ★ Transformers: Last Knight				★ Venom: Let There Be Carnage				Fargo (N)		Fargo
HBO	201	17	(:05) Murder		★★★★ The Bourne Ultimatum				Hard (N)		★ Trees, & Other Entang...		
MAX	270	73	(:55) ★★★ Bandits ('01)				★ Texas Chainsaw Mass...			★ Strangers: Prey at Night			Movie
NEWSNTN	20	20	Elizabeth (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	★★★★ The Goonies ('85) Sean Astin.					★★★★ The Goonies ('85)			
SHOW	221	16	★★★ The Counselor ('13)				★★★ Lucky Number Slevin ('06)				★★ Mafia Mamma ('23)		
TMC	233	74	Movie	★★ Texas Rangers ('01)			★ No Country for Old Men (P)				(:05) ★ The Newton Boys		
TNT	27	43	(4:30) ★ Account...		Tip-Off	NBA Basketball					NBA Basketball		
USA	26	33	Law-SVU		Law-SVU		WWE NXT (N) (Live)				(:10) ★★★★ Troy ('04)		

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4 WTTV	4		CBS4..	CBSN..	BigBa..	Sheldon	Survivor (N)			Amaz. Race (N) (SF)			CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	Quantum (N)		Magnum (N)		Weakest Link		News
8 WISH	12		News	Q4Hea..	Inside..	ET (N)	Sullivan's (SF)		Sisters (N) (SF)		News (N)		News
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Extra	Celebrity (N)		Wheel (N)		Pyramid (N)		News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	Celebrity (N)		Wheel (N)		Pyramid (N)		News
15 WKPC	13		Ameri..	Edition	NewsHour (N)		Nature		NOVA		Great		BBCN..
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	Jeopar..	Masked (N)		Snake Oil (SF)		FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBSN..	Wheel	Jeopar..	Survivor (N)			Amaz. Race (N) (SF)			News
34 WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	House..	Sheldon	BigBa..	Sullivan's (SF)		Sisters (N) (SF)		BigBa..	Sheldon	LastM..
41 WDRB	8	9	WDR..	News	FamFe..	FamFe..	Masked (N)		Snake Oil (SF)		WDRB News		WDR..
A&E	28	36	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court..	Court Cam (N)		Interro..	Interro..	Court..
AMC	29	26	★★★ Four Christmases ('08)				★★★★ Elf ('03) Will Ferrell.				★★★★ Elf ('03)		
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	DailyS..
DISC	31	38	Expedition		Expedition		Expedition		Expedition (N)		Mystery (N)		Expedi..
DISN	25	29	Kiff	Kiff	★ Descendants 3 ('19)				Villains	Raven	Ladyb..	Ladyb..	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	44	SportCtr (N)		Schedule Release (N) (Live)				ESPN Documentaries (N)				Sports..
FREE	18	40	(4:30) ★ Home Al...		★ The Naughty Nine ('23) (P)				★★ Dr. Seuss' The Grinch ('18)				700Club
FX	40	28	★★★★ The Santa Clause ('94)				★★★ The Santa Clause 2 ('02)				★ Santa Clause 3: Escape...		
HBO	201	17	(:15) Gilded		(:10) Hard		★★★ Black Adam ('22) The Rock.				(:10) Murder		30Coins
MAX	270	73	(5:55) ★★★★ Ghost ('90)				★★★ The Soloist ('09) Jamie Foxx.				(:55) ★ Law Abiding Citizen		
NEWSNTN	20	20	Elizabeth (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	★★★★ The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring						
SHOW	221	16	(5:05) ★ Scream VI		(:15) ★★★★ Bridget Jones's Diary				★ Bridget Jones: Edge of Reason				Movie
TMC	233	74	(:15) ★★ Mafia Mamma ('23)				★★★★ Chocolat Juliette Binoche.				(:05) ★ The Love Letter		
TNT	27	43	Movie	Road,..	NHL o..	NHL Hockey					NHL Hockey		
USA	26	33	Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-S..

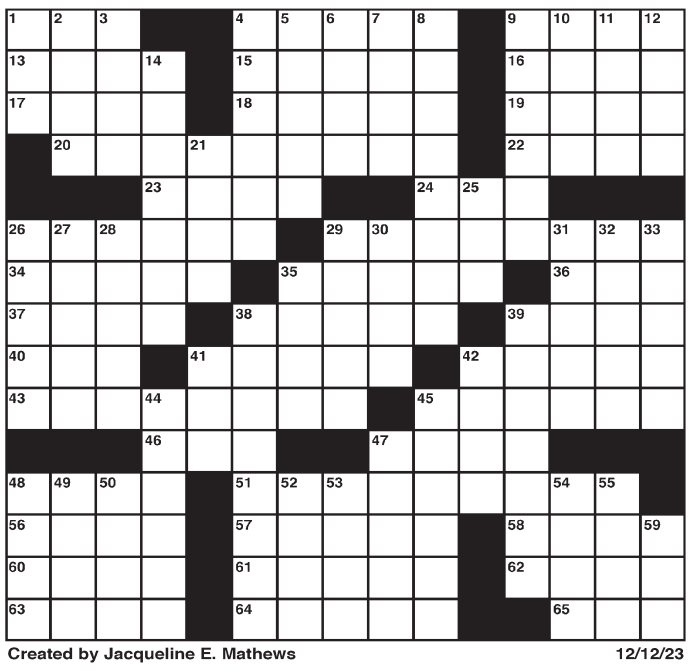
THURSDAY EVENING

	Jefferson Switzerland	Trimble/ Carroll	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
3 WAVE	6	2	WAV..	NBCN..	WAV..	News	Clip Show (N)		Saturday Night Live				WAV..
4 WTTV	4		CBS4..	CBSN..	BigBa..	Sheldon	Big Bro. (N)		Ghosts..	Ghosts..	SEAL Team (N)		CBS4..
5 WLWT	2		News	NBCN..	WLWT	Hollyw..	Clip Show (N)		Saturday Night Live				News
8 WISH	12		News (N)		ZoneE..	ET (N)	Son of a	Childr..	Whose..	JokeOff	News (N)		News
9 WCPO	23		News	World..	News	Extra	CMA (N)		To Be Announced				News
11 WHAS	11	4	News	World..	ET (N)	Inside..	CMA (N)		To Be Announced				News
15 WKPC	13		Ameri..	Edition	NewsHour (N)		Antiques		Doc Martin		Father Brown		BBCN..
19 WXIX	10		FOX19	FOX19	Wheel	Jeopar..	Kitchen (N)		LEGO (N) (SF)		FOX19 (N)		FOX19
32 WLKY	5	5	News	CBSN..	Wheel	Jeopar..	Big Bro. (N)		Ghosts..	Ghosts..	SEAL Team (N)		News
34 WBKI	7	7	Neighb..	House..	Sheldon	BigBa..	Son of a	Childr..	Whose..	JokeOff	BigBa..	Sheldon	LastM..
41 WDRB	8	9	WDR..	News	FamFe..	FamFe..	Kitchen (N)		LEGO (N) (SF)		WDRB News		WDR..
A&E	28	36	The First 48		The First 48		First (N)		Raw (N)		(:05) Accused (N)		First48
AMC	29	26	(5:00) ★ Addams ...		★★★★ Ghostbusters ('84) Bill Murray.					★★★ Ghostbusters II ('89)			
COM	45	59	Office	Office	Office	Office	(:20) The Office		Office	Office	Office	Office	DailyS..
DISC	31	38	Contraband		Contraband		Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Caught!	Contraband		Contra..
DISN	25	29	Hailey	Hailey	★★★★ Frozen ('13)			Movie	Mickey	Mickey	Ladyb..	Ladyb..	Villains
ESPN	32	44	SportCtr (N)		Women's College Volleyball				Volley..	Women's College Volleyball			
FREE	18	40	(5:10) ★ Dr. Seus...		(:10) ★ Noelle ('19) Anna Kendrick.				★ Tim Burton's Nightmare Before...				700Club
FX	40	28	(4:00) ★ Star Wa...		★★★★ The Avengers ('12) Robert Downey Jr..						★ Avengers: Age of Ultron		
HBO	201	17	★ Trees, & Other Entanglements				★★★ Legally Blonde ('01)		(:40) Gilded			(:35) Murder	
MAX	270	73	Movie	★★★★ The Full Monty			★ Dumb and Dumber To		★ A Night at the Roxbury				Movie
NEWSNTN	20	20	Elizabeth (N)		On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams		Banfield (N)		Cuomo
PARMT	35	41	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	TwoM..	★★★★ The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King ('03)						
SHOW	221	16	★ Hitsville: Making of Motown				Thriller 40			Travelers		★ Everything E...	
TMC	233	74	Movie	(:25) ★ Fear the Night			★ Becky ('20)			(:35) ★ Wrath of Becky			Movie
TNT	27	43	(5:00) ★ Charlie & the Ch...			Grinch	★★★★★ A Christmas Story ('83)				★★★ A Christmas Carol		
USA	26	33	Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-SVU		Law-S..

THE Daily Commuter Puzzle by Jacqueline E. Mathews

ACROSS
1 "Time __ Bottle"; Jim Croce song
4 Con games
9 U.S. leader, slangily
13 BBQ favorites
15 Make one's case
16 Take a shine to
17 Largest joint
18 __ change; pocket coins
19 Does drugs
20 No longer close
22 Relaxation
23 Neat
24 Hawaii's Mauna __
26 Head coverings
29 Former U.K. monetary unit
34 Merchandise
35 Mixer speed
36 Oolong or pekoe
37 King Kong's kin
38 "__ My Way"; film for Bing
39 Forbids entry to
40 Stag party invitees
41 Kicks on fourth down
42 Soothing ointment
43 Grassy plains
45 Right __; 90° corners
46 Scepter
47 Lily pad rider
48 Too
51 Later
56 Before long
57 Unsuspecting
58 Slip up
60 Skilled enough
61 Makes well
62 Colorado-to-Kansas direction
63 Have to have
64 __ oneself; try hard
65 Like half the checkers

DOWN
1 Exasperate
2 Odd number



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3 Lincoln & others
4 Slaw & ambrosia
5 Buddy
6 All keyed up
7 Think deeply
8 Very young tree
9 Like many words ending in "s"
10 Begin one's day
11 __ out a living; gets by
12 Gusto
14 Stops moving around
21 Van Winkle & others
25 Elderly
26 Marshland
27 Playful frolic
28 NBA game building
29 Skirt openings
30 Barnyard birds
31 Know-__; smart aleck
32 Audacity
33 Oxygen & xenon
35 Skeletal part
38 Counselor's help
39 Suitcases
41 In favor of
42 Weather forecast
44 Pressed
45 Take into custody
47 Flu symptom
48 As dumb __ ox
49 Frontal __; brain section
50 Lean flatfish
52 Imitation
53 Goodyear product
54 Lion's cry
55 Amount to swallow
59 1-800-Flowers competitor

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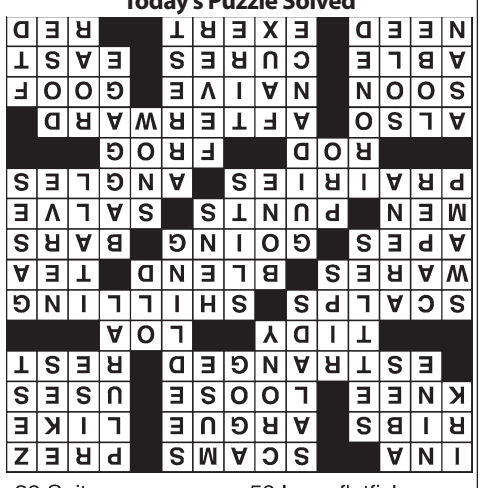

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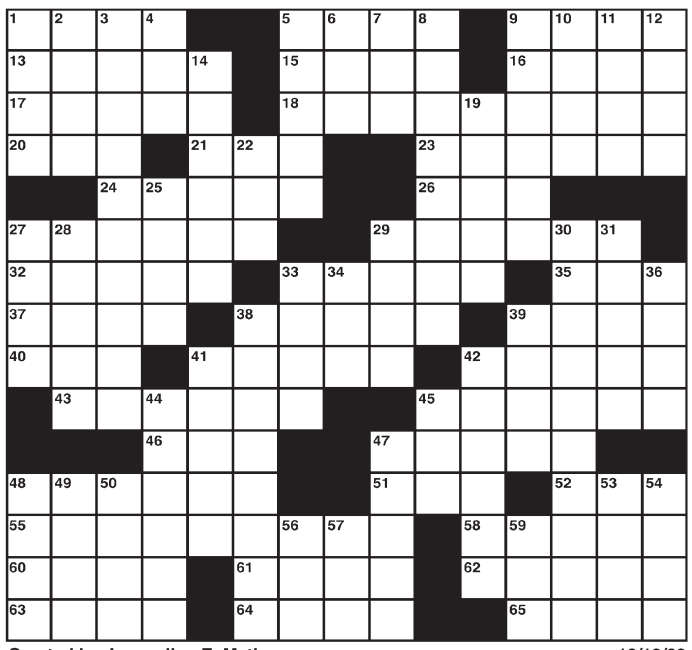
ACROSS
1 Jackal's cry
5 Doesn't just sit there
9 Leo XIII or Pius X
13 Climbing plants
15 Fingerprint feature
16 Swing back & forth
17 Sorority letter
18 Opposite of guilt
20 Come to a stop
21 Singer Davis
23 Has confidence in
24 Marry without fanfare
26 Young fellow
27 Positive in attitude
29 French impressionist painter
32 Astronaut John
33 Cook's utensil
35 Clean the floor
37 Made up stories
38 Simon & Sedaka
39 __ on; incite
40 "Certainly!"
41 Rent long-term
42 Snapshot
43 Smacked
45 Advantages
46 Pen fluid
47 Denims
48 Word with gown or shower
51 "Ode on a Grecian __"
52 __ flash; instantly
55 Slashed
58 Arm part
60 Put one __ on; bamboozle
61 Curtain puller
62 Burn soother
63 Takes a bride
64 Dumbo's "wings"
65 Rosary piece

DOWN
1 Stay out of sight
2 JennAir appliance
3 Safari sighting
4 "__ Me Call You Sweetheart"



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5 Wonderland visitor
6 Felon
7 Truck scale unit
8 Pristine
9 Not genuine
10 Has purchased a home
11 Treaty
12 Peepers
14 Pago Pago native
19 Pencil sharpener handle
22 Isn't __ to; probably won't
25 Give for a time
27 Hideous
28 Toilet paper layers
29 Aggravate
30 Not doable
31 Line of travel
33 Feeble
34 "…America! God shed __ grace on thee…"
36 Experts
38 Piece of jewelry
39 Give the cold shoulder to
41 __ eclipse; full moon event
42 Boeing projects
44 Passengers
45 __ person; each
47 Naomi & Wynonna
48 Hard hit
49 Become delirious
50 __ tea
53 Suddenly bright star
54 Floored
56 __ degree; somewhat
57 Mess up
59 Friendly dog

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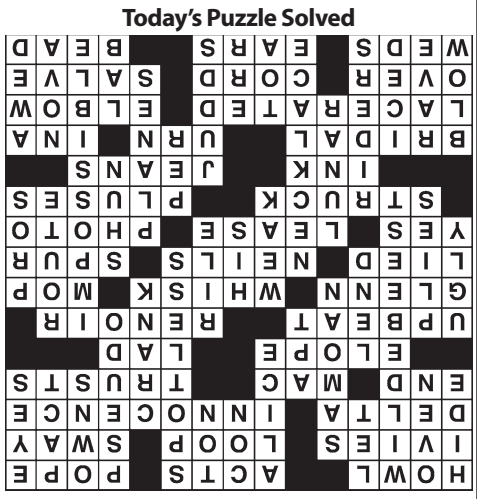

A bestie's betrayal may be friendship-ender

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: My best friend of many years, "Alexis," dated married guys for years of her young adult life, basically pulverizing several marriages. This behavior continued during the early years of her own marriage.

Our group of girlfriends have tried to "right her ship" throughout these years.

Last week, I learned during a group dinner that Alexis had an affair with my former boyfriend "Sam" during the time he and I were together. Sam and I shared a significant, long-term relationship.

It sounds like their affair lasted for several months. During my dating years with Sam, Alexis constantly pressured me to drop him. At the time I didn't know why, but now I wonder if she had an agenda.

To be honest, I am less mad at him and absolutely furious with Alexis. This feels traitorous. After I asked her to detail this affair, she admitted to it and also downplayed it. She then attempted to gaslight me by saying that I was jealous and overreacting.

My biggest take-away: I watched her wreck other marriages but somehow never thought she would harm me.

If Alexis had admitted to this, apologized and asked for forgiveness, I'd definitely get there, but she says she has nothing to apologize for, is being flippant with me and is telling others in our social group that I must be a nutcase because this was years ago and thus too infantile to discuss.

Yes, I am angry, and this is news information for me!

I loved the guy, and Alexis knew it!

Where do I go from here? — Betrayed

Dear Betrayed: From here, you should go to your room, your car, your treadmill, your coffee shop — or any place where you go to lick your wounds, ponder the events of your life and attempt to make sense of things.

Yes, this is brand-new information for you, and your reaction to this revelation seems completely rational.

You've also identified your own hubris in believing that this best friend would carom her way through other relationships and marriages like the giant boulder in "Raiders of the Lost Ark," while also believing that you, like Indiana Jones, could somehow successfully outrun her.

Yes, best friends trust one another. This trust basically defines the sort of intimate friendship you and Alexis have shared.

I'd characterize her friendship style as scorched earth.

In my opinion, no one gets to brand an upset and struggling person as a "nutcase" without consequences.

Once you clarify your own feelings, you'll decide what those consequences will be.

Patience with the elderly in-laws is waning

AMY **DICKINSON** ASK AMY

Dear Amy: My in-laws are wonderful people. They are now elderly.

Their complaint over the past five years is that I have no patience with them.

This has bled over into my relationship with my wife, who complains that I always have to be the smartest person in the room.

Couples counseling proved unfulfilling and solved nothing because things are even-keeled in our marriage until her parents become involved.

How do you go about finding a good psychotherapist?

I have not had much luck in doing so.

After all, I apparently have a serious problem.

I have come to believe that I am incompatible with the human race.

— Incompatible

Dear Incompatible: Reading somewhat into your query, I sense a distinct "smartest person in the room" vibe. (But wait, this is supposed to be my room!)

So first, this: Successful counseling depends to a large degree on you surrendering to the process. This requires a level of humility, along with a willingness to work the program, as well as submitting to a sincere desire to change.

It is impossible to do this if you believe (or know for a fact) that you are smarter than your therapist and if you hold onto this belief as a core value.

Is it possible to be smarter than your counselor and yet still respect the idea that they might know more about counseling people than you do? If so, then finding a competent counselor shouldn't be too hard. (You can find a therapist through personal recommendations, your physician, your local university or various online databases. I recommend and use the American Psychology Association's therapist locator at locator.apa.org.)

You say that things are absolutely fine until your elderly in-laws test your patience. I submit that things in your own household might not be fine and that your marriage could improve — as long as you and your wife are motivated to deal with your stressors and improve your dynamic.

So, do you want to change? Or would you really prefer it if your wonderful elderly in-laws changed in order not to be quite so taxing to your patience?

Here's a truth: Your in-laws will not change in ways that favor your preferences. Instead, they will continue to change in ways that test you.

I wonder if you are smart enough and brave enough to pass this series of tests.

That will be up to you.

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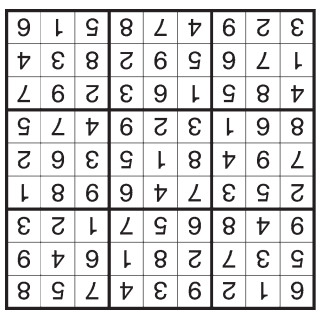

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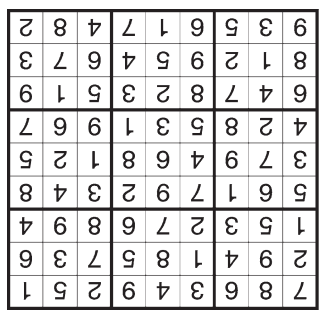

ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — It may take some extra effort to gain someone's approval or support but by demonstrating integrity you could achieve a beneficial compromise. You can accomplish what you need to despite someone else.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You should be reassured that your best qualities are appreciated when people come to you for advice. A break in your usual routines could give you the chance to let your romantic daydreams run wild.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You and a family member may have a misunderstanding about the final goal. It might seem like every plan you produce has holes that someone could be ready to point out. You can remedy a situation with a little more research.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You and your loved ones might have plenty to do to prepare for an upcoming vacation or family event. Now may be a good time to get your end-of-the-year financial arrangements in order in order to get them completed on time.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You might meet some fascinating people through your job that can make your extra efforts feel more worthwhile. Romantic wishes could be closer to coming true if you remain sympathetic and understanding.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Your research can pay off if you are planning the entertainment for an upcoming party or starting a creative project. Difficult people might be touchier than usual, but your intelligence could help you get the credit you deserve.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Things may be better than they seem. An intelligent application of diplomacy can help make things run more smoothly. Try not to fade into the woodwork when an opportunity to make a good impression comes your way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — It is the time of year when there may be many requests for charitable donations from a multitude of organizations. Consider donating your time to worthy causes as well as making cash donations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You may find that people around you are impressed by your worth ethic and eagerness. If someone is not appreciative of your enthusiasm or comments about your work-life balance, don't let their opinions get to you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You could be feeling enthusiastic about establishing dominance in your career field or becoming financially stable. Once practical needs are met you can begin to explore and nurture your spiritual needs.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — The demands of the season can make it easy to become overwhelmed. Let your family or friends know what is on your mind. You may find they are understanding and could be going through a similar struggle.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Micromanaging may not be your style, and laying down the law only works when a stern hand is required to get things back on track. An amusing story or ice breaking joke could be a good way to relieve strain.

ASTROLOGY

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — You may be the person who gets called upon if something needs to be done quickly and accurately. Take pride in the fact you can be trusted to manage the extra tasks. Try not to let a casual flirtation get blown out of proportion.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You might need to face a situation that challenges you to adapt or change your perspective. Your mind may be focused on seasonal activities, and you can be full of anticipation, but life must go on as usual too.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — A loved one may be booked solidly with a burgeoning list of activities while you could be under pressure to participate in events. Try to find a compromise and plan a day to spend some time together.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You might feel pressured to keep up online appearances or juggle an overwhelming workload. Take a break whenever you can. Having a sympathetic loved one by your side could help you cope with life's stresses.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Your obvious team spirit might make you a popular figure in the workplace. A shopping trip with a loved one could cause you to spend more than you expected on trivial items or treats. It may be best to stick to window shopping for now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — It's just not possible to please everyone all the time. It might be best to wait for better timing to extend an invitation to someone. If your social overtures are rebuffed now, do not take it personally.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — During the holiday season the motto can be the more the merrier. Someone might extend an invitation for you to join them on a shopping expedition, but it could also be an opportunity to spend some quality time together.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You may want to experiment with different lifestyles, but just because you dipped your foot in the water does not mean you have to jump in completely. Someone might want to break away from a challenging relationship.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You may be the one who must work towards getting the seasonal promotion. Try not to overreact if your sincere efforts get ignored. A family squabble could get out of hand or might disrupt your routines.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — The holiday season is underway, and you could be planning to have everything ready for celebrations. Also consider the future, and plant plenty of seeds for next year's studies, travels, or for getting a promotion..

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Now may be a wonderful time to spend some time with someone who might inspire you to experiment with new things or try out the latest inventions. Silence could be the best response if someone suggests something off.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Do your best to rely on your finer instincts. You may have the urge to volunteer for charitable organizations or to help the less fortunate. Make promises cautiously. Once you do, follow through on your obligations.

LSU QB Daniels wins Heisman with prolific season

BY RALPH D. RUSSO
AP COLLEGE FOOTBALL WRITER

Wearing a sharp light gray suit, Jayden Daniels dropped his head for a moment when his name was called. He was the favorite to win the award, but said he felt relieved when it was official. Still, he stayed composed throughout his speech when he thanked everyone from his offensive line to the groundskeepers at Tigers Stadium and cafeteria workers who help feed the team.

NEW YORK — Jayden Daniels was too good to be overlooked.

LSU's dazzling dual-threat quarterback won the Heisman Trophy on Saturday night, becoming the first player since 2016 to win college football's most prestigious player of the year award as part of a team that did not play for a conference championship.

The fifth-year player, who transferred from Arizona State to LSU in 2022, received 503 first-place votes and 2,029 points after accounting for 50 touchdowns and nearly 5,000 total yards in just 12 regular-season games.

"This is a dream come true," Daniels started his acceptance speech.

Washington's Michael Penix Jr. was the the runner-up with 292 first-place votes and 1,701 points and Oregon's Bo Nix was third (51, 885), putting transfer quarterbacks in each of the top three spots. Ohio State receiver Marvin Harrison Jr. finished fourth (20, 352).

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"I wasn't really like, emotional, like crying," Daniels said later at a news conference. "I guess it's kind of how I play on the field. I'm just enjoying the moment, just embracing everything, giving thanks to God."

Daniels, who turns 23 on Dec. 18, won AP Player of the Year earlier this week.

Daniels is the fifth quarterback in the last seven seasons to win the Heisman after transferring, joining former LSU star Joe Burrow in 2019 and USC's Caleb Williams last year.

"I want to thank all my teammates, from Arizona State to LSU," Daniels said. "You're my brothers. You work so hard every day, inspiring me to be my best."

He is also LSU's third Heisman winner overall, along with running back Billy Cannon in 1959.

Burrow led LSU to a national championship and Cannon's team came close, finishing No. 3 in the country.

Daniels' Tigers (9-3) slipped out of that race with two losses in the first six weeks, but he certainly wasn't to blame.

"I really wish I could have brought you back another championship," Daniels said as he thanked the LSU fans.

Week after week he fueled the best offense in the country with his passing (3,812 yards) and running (1,134). He leads the nation in total offense at 412 yards per game and is averaging an astounding 10.71 yards per play.

No. 13 LSU is set to face Wisconsin in the ReliaQuest Bowl on Jan. 1, though Daniels has not yet decided if he will play the final game of his college career. The next stop for the 6-foot-4, 210-pounder could be the NFL draft combine, with his stock on the rise but no guarantee to be a first-round pick.

Louisville's Lamar Jackson was the last and only player to win the Heisman on a team that lost three games and didn't play for a conference title during the nine previous years of the College Football Playoff.

Voters usually look to CFP contenders to find a Heisman winner these days, but Daniels could not be ignored.

LSU was eliminated from the Southeastern Conference race when it lost to Alabama in early November, despite 382 yards and three total touchdowns in three quarters by Daniels. A hard hit put him in concussion protocol and kept him out of final quarter.

"Your goals are to play for championships at LSU and when we did not have that opportunity after the Alabama game, you start to recalibrate. And certainly one of them was to rally behind what we considered was the best player in college football," coach Brian Kelly said. "Every player that is in our program knew that we had a special player that was having a special year."

While Daniels faded from the playoff picture, his performance continued to demand attention. Against Florida, he became the first major college football player with at least 350 yards passing and 200 rushing in a game, going for a total of 606 yards against the Gators.

His teammates goaded him into flashing a Heisman pose during the game in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Daniels said it was after that performance he started to believe winning the Heisman could become a reality.

Daniels' evolution this season has been a revelation. He became just the second SEC player, joining 2012 Heisman winner Johnny Manziel from Texas A&M, and eighth in major college football to pass for at least 3,500 and run for 1,000 in a season.

He began his career at Arizona State as a four-star recruit from Southern California under then-coach Herman Edwards.

Daniels started all three seasons for the Sun Devils, proving capable but inconsistent. With the Sun Devils facing an NCAA investigation, Daniels left for LSU to play for Kelly.

"A transfer quarterback that comes in to your program has to win the locker room and you do it by your work ethic.

"You do it by being humble, you do it with your actions and he did that on a day-to-day basis," Kelly said.

Daniels led the Tigers to an SEC West title last year and when he decided to return for a fifth season of college football it was clear he could be part of the Heisman discussion.

He ended up dominating that conversation even though his team was out of the spotlight down the stretch. LSU ran an aggressive campaign to support its quarterback.

Daniels and the Tigers finished their season against Texas A&M on rivalry weekend, with Nix, Penix and Harrison playing high-stakes games with playoff implications.

Daniels was the leader in the clubhouse on championship weekend as Nix and Penix squared off in the Pac-12 title game.

Both played well in a dramatic game that decided on playoff spot, but — much like opposing defenses — neither could chase down Daniels.

Bradshaw's double-double helps Kentucky hold off Penn

BY DAN GELSTON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Aaron Bradshaw celebrated his homecoming with 17 points and 11 rebounds and Rob Dillingham also scored 17 points to lead No. 16 Kentucky past Penn 81-66 on Saturday at the Wells Fargo Center. Bradshaw added three blocked shots and a steal in 29 minutes in just his second game of the season after he missed seven games with a foot injury.

PHILADELPHIA — Aaron Bradshaw heard the cheers on each rebound, each big basket — yes, even on a 3-pointer — from nearly four dozen friends and family members in the crowd, who made the Kentucky star feel like he was home again playing for Camden High School.

Bradshaw and the Wildcats took over Philly, from four area players in the roster, to the bulk of the 9,000-plus fans in attendance, to even scoreboard advertising for Lexington-area business that turned the home of the 76ers into a little slice of Rupp Arena.

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"Somebody told me to sub him," Kentucky coach John Calipari said. "I'm like, are you out of your mind? Are you watching this?"

The Wildcats (7-2) bounced back from last week's loss to UNC-Wilmington in front of a decisive Big Blue crowd. Playing outside of Rupp Arena for only the second time this season, Kentucky was still the home team against the Quakers (6-5) that traveled all of about 4 miles for the game from its Ivy League campus.

Kentucky surely had the friends and family advantage. Justin Edwards is a Philadelphia native.

Bradshaw, DJ Wagner and Kareem Watkins are all from across the Delaware River in Camden, New Jersey.

"It was a surreal feeling," of playing near home, Bradshaw said. "I was just having fun out there."

Antonio Reeves, who scored 16 points, pushed aside pesky Penn with a pair of buckets and a 3-pointer with 7:34 left during a 9-0 run that made it 70-57 and had Big Blue dancing in their seats.

Clark Slajchert led the Quakers with 17 points. Tyler Perkins scored 15 and Sam Brown hit four 3-pointers for 12 points.

"This is what we recruit to, these events," Penn coach Steve Donahue said.

"These kids are excited about this day."

The Quakers already knocked off nationally-ranked Villanova last month — students stormed the court at the Palestra — so a blueprint on how to beat a Top 25 team was in place.

The Wildcats were 14-point favorites, per FanDuel SportsBook, but the only line that mattered in the second half was the 3-point line. Led by near-flawless 3-point shooting, the Quakers kept an upset threat alive for the bulk of the game until they were simply overpowered down the stretch.

Slajchert hit a 3 that made it 45-41 and Brown, the son of former 76ers coach Brett Brown, buried one that brought the Quakers to 47-46 and got a rise out of the roughly 300 Penn students behind the basket.

George Smith hit Penn's fourth 3 of the half (on five attempts) that made it 51-49. The Quakers played the type of game that would have earned them easy Ivy League wins. Against the Wildcats, though, the Quakers could never take the lead.

Determined not to lose to a double-digit underdog for a second straight game, the Wildcats pushed back — Bradshaw hit a 3 for needed breathing room before the decisive run. With former Wildcat and current 76ers star Tyrese Maxey watching from courtside, Bradshaw put the finishing touches on the win with a big two-handed slam off an offensive rebound.

BIG PICTURE

Donahue said he wanted Penn to keep playing games against marquee teams at the Wells Fargo Center and pitched the idea of playing Duke, North Carolina or Kentucky. Kentucky said yes.

"I think John Calipari gets a bad rap about what he's about," Donahue said. "I think he's a really good ambassador of our game.

"He was excited and thought, let's bring these local guys back and maybe it's a win-win for both of us. I didn't think it would happen, honestly."

UP NEXT

Kentucky plays No. 9 North Carolina on Saturday in Atlanta (**TV:** Live on CBS at 5:30 p.m.).

Source: Senzel agrees to $2M one-year contract deal with the Washington Nationals

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nick Senzel can earn an additional $1 million in performance bonuses for plate appearances: $200,000 each for 100, 200, 300, 400 and 500.

Nick Senzel and the Washington Nationals agreed to a $2 million, one-year contract, a person familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity Thursday because the agreement with the versatile infielder and outfielder had not yet been announced.

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Senzel, 28, was the No. 2 pick in the 2016 amateur draft and spent his first five major league seasons with the Cincinnati Reds. His big league career was slowed by trips to the injured list for left knee inflammation (2021), a broken left foot (2022), and left toe surgery and right knee soreness (2023).

He became a free agent on Nov. 17 when the Reds failed to offer a 2024 contract. Senzel earned $1.95 million last season, when he hit .236 with 13 homers and 42 RBIs. Senzel started 40 games at third base, 15 in left, 12 in center, eight in right and one at second. He has a .239 career average with 33 homers and 125 RBIs.

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE JEFFERSON SUPERIOR COURT) SS:
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON) CAUSE NO: 39D01-2311-MF-000984
U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR LB-RANCH SERIES V TRUST
Plaintiff
vs.
LYNN ANN COLDIRON (DECEASED), et al.
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SUIT
The State of Indiana to the Defendants above named, and any other person who may be concerned: You are notified that you have been sued in the Court above named. The nature of the suit against you is a Complaint on Note and for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described real estate:
LOT NUMBER EIGHT (8) OF QUIET ACRES SUBDIVISION AS FOUND IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 9 IN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA.
More commonly known as: 5944 West State Road 256 Madison, Indiana 47250.
This Summons by Publication is specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are known to me: N/A
This Summons by Publication is also specifically directed to the following named Defendants whose whereabouts are unknown to me: Unknown Heirs of Lynn Ann Coldiron.
In addition to the above-named Defendants being served by this Summons, there may be other Defendants who have an interest in this lawsuit. If you have a claim for relief against the Plaintiff arising from the same transaction or occurrence, you must assert it in your written answer. You must answer the Complaint in writing, by you or your attorney, within thirty (30) days after the Third Notice of Suit, and if you fail to do so, a judgment will be entered against you for what the Plaintiff has demanded.
SOTTILE & BARILE, LLC
By: /s/ Dennis V. Ferguson
Dennis V. Ferguson (8474-49)
Joel F. Bornkamp (27410-49)
Attorney for Plaintiff
ATTEST:
Clerk of the Jefferson Superior Court
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TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Indiana, in Cause No. 39C01-2207-MF-000502 wherein U.S. Bank National Association was Plaintiff, and The Unknown Heirs at Law of Amanda R. Huttsell, deceased a/k/a Amanda R. McCoy and Vanderbilt Mortgage and Finance, Inc. were Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Decree with interest and cost, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on the 25th day of January, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as is possible, at 317 South Walnut Street, Madison, IN 47250, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Jefferson County, Indiana.
The following described real estate located in Jefferson County, Indiana, to-wit: Tract I: A part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 5 North, Range 9 East, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point 952 feet South of the Northeast corner of the said Southeast Quarter and on the quarter section line; thence North 150 feet; thence due West 290 feet; thence due South 150 feet; thence East 290 feet to the place of beginning. Containing one acre, more or less. EXCEPTING THEREFROM the following described real estate, to wit: Being a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 5 North, Range 9 East, Lancaster Township, Jefferson County, Indiana, and described as follows: Commencing in the center of County Road 700 West at the Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, marked by a 1/2" rebar; thence South 0°22'00" west, 802.00 feet to a R.R. spike and THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 0°22'00" West, 114.83 feet to a R.R. spike; thence North 47°11'04" West, 170.14 feet to a R.R. spike; thence South 89°39'00" East, 125.54 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 0.165, more or less. (For this exception see Deed Record 174, Page 1475, in the Recorder's Office of Jefferson County, Indiana.) Under such Deed, grantors, Charles D. Vance and Linda Carroll Vance, reserved unto themselves and their successors a perpetual easement for the purposes of ingress and egress across the existing gravel drive to provide accessibility to the land lying to the West of said gravel drive. Tract II: Also a part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 4, Township 5 North, Range 9 East, described as follows: Commencing at the center line of County Road 700 W at the Southeast corner of Section 4, being marked by a R.R. spike; thence N 0°22'35" E, 655.73 feet to a railroad spike; thence N 0°22'00" E, 1033.93 feet to a railroad spike and the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; thence N 87°59'27" W, 290.12 feet to a 1/2" rebar, thence N 0°22'00" E, 10.77 feet to a point; thence S 89°38'00" E, 290.00 feet to a point; thence S 0°22'00" W, 19.09 feet to the TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. Containing 0.099 acres, more or less.
More commonly known as: 7011 W 1137 N, Dupont, IN 47231
Parcel No. : 39-04-04-000-013.000-004, 39-04-04-000-014.001-004 & 39-04-04-000-015.004-004
Together with rents, issues, income, and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.
Sheriff of Jefferson County
Doyle & Foutty, P.C.
41 E Washington Street
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Indianapolis, IN 46204 Lancaster Township
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Sheriff
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REBELS

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led the Panthers with 15 points but was Carroll's only player in double figures as. Franklin scored eight and Cameron Butcher added six.

Carroll actually outshot the Bearcats but Walton-Verona out-rebounded the Panthers 30-19 and put three players in double figures as Zach Smith and Aaron Gutman scored 24 nad 23, respectively, anfd Julian Dixon added 16 point and 10 rebounds.

Carroll, now 3-1 overall and 1-0 in the 31st District, travels to Henry County on Tuesday and hosts Owen County on Saturday.

Trimble, now 1-4 overall and 0-1 in the 31st District, hosts Eminence on Tuesday and heads to Gallatin County on Friday.

PACERS BEAT RISING SUN

Cam Craig scored a season-high 31 points to lead Switzerland County to a 65-50 win at home against Rising Sun in the second of four Ruler of the River games between the two rivals.

Craig was 7-of-14 on 3-pointers and 9-of-18 overall from the floor.

He also had 10 rebounds and three steals.

Mason Peelman added 10 points for the Pacers.

Switzerland, now 4-1 on the season, hosts Hauser on Saturday.

SHAWE FALLS TO JAC-CEN-DEL

Shawe suffered a 49-41 loss at Jac-Cen-Del on Friday.

Shawe, now 3-3 overall and 0-2 in the ORVC, travels to Crothersville on Friday.

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The Hanover Township Board will be holding a public meeting on December 28, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. at the Hanover Park Building, 200 Spruce Lane in Hanover, In. 47243. The purpose of this meeting is to Review /Adopt /Deny the Guidelines for Hanover Township Assistance, Office Procedures and Policies, and Agreement between Hanover Volunteer Fire Dept. and Hanover Township Board.
Lucy J. Anderson
Hanover Township Trustee
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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES
By virtue of a certified copy of a decree to me directed from the Clerk of the Superior Court of Jefferson County, Indiana, in cause No. 39D01-2212-MF-000950, wherein NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing was Plaintiff, and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems INC.as nominee for Geneva Financial LLC, Nicole L. Casillas Salvador and Carlos Casillas Salvador were the Defendants, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in the said Decree with interest and costs, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder, on January 25, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. local time of said day, at Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, 317 S. Walnut Street, Madison, Indiana, 47250, the fee simple of the whole body of Real Estate in Jefferson County, Indiana:
ALL THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE IN JEFFERSON COUNTY IN THE STATE OF INDIANA:
ALL OF LOT NO 17 AND 30 FEET OFF THE ENTIRE EAST SIDE OF LOT NUMBER 18 IN CLIFTY HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, IN THE CITY OF MADISON, JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA.
THE IMPROVEMENTS THEREON BEING KNOWN AS 1436 CLIFTY DRIVE, MADISON, INDIANA - 47250.
More Commonly known as: 1436 Clifty Drive, Madison, IN 47250
Property ID Number: 39-08-21-331-052-000-007
Together with rents, issues, income and profits thereof, said sale will be made without relief from valuation or appraisement laws.
/s/ Andrew L Kraemer,
Plaintiff Attorney
Attorney No. 14872-71
Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC
500 West Lincoln Highway, Suite J
Merrillville, IN 46410
312-541-9710

/s/ Ben Flint
Sheriff of Jefferson County, Indiana
Madison Township
Township of Property Location
1436 Clifty Drive
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STATE OF INDIANA
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON
SS:
IN THE JEFFERSON
CIRCUIT COURT
CAUSE NO.
39C01-2311-EU-000084
IN THE MATTER
OF THE UNSUPERVISED
ADMINISTRATION OF
THE ESTATE OF
MARY C. PETERS,
a/k/a MARY PETERS,
Deceased
ANTHONY J. CASTOR
Attorney at Law
320 Walnut Street
Madison, IN 47250
Telephone: 812/265-6110
NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, INDIANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY C. PETERS, a/k/a MARY PETERS, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 39C01-2311-EU-000084
NOTICE IS HEREBY given that BARBRA A. FUNK was, on the 17th day of November, 2023, appointed personal representative of the estate of MARY C. PETERS, a/k/a MARY PETERS, who died on May 14, 2023.
All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.
DATED at Madison, Indiana, this 17th day of November, 2023.
TABATHA EBLEN, Clerk
Jefferson Circuit Court
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
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Madison's Quincy Reynolds (12) scores in front of South Dearborn's Adam Kunkel during Friday's game at home. Reynolds had 15 points in the 47-44 Cubs loss.

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"I don't want to get frustrated because I feel like our guys try hard and I'm just looking at the bench and seeing what we're missing," Stotts said. "They're in there (in the locker room) and they're beating themselves up, but we had nine guys warm up and we had six under the goal watching them. I thought the guys that played tonight played extremely hard."

Quincy Reynolds carried Madison in the first half as both teams started out red-hot from the outside. The score was tied 12-12 after one quarter with all points scored on either 3-pointers or 3-point plays.

It was Reynolds who did the most damage. The junior knocked down three 3-pointers in the first half and also had two strong three-point plays around the basket for a total of 15 points as Madison led by as many as seven (27-20) including by five at halftime.

But South Dearborn (4-1) clamped down its defense in the second half and turnovers began to mount for the Cubs, who found scoring opportunities harder and harder to convert. The Knights took a 38-37 lead into the fourth quarter and led 43-40 early in the fourth.

Madison (1-3) fought back, getting two free throws from Oscar Gonzalez and a bucket from True to put the Cubs back out front 44-43 with 3:05 to go. Looks at the basket were a premium down the stretch and True's 3-point attempt with 15 seconds left was the Cubs' only shot from the floor in the final three minutes of the game.

While Stotts was pleased with the effort, he also acknowledged that turnovers proved to be the difference in the game. The Cubs shot 44% from the floor, hit half of their 14 3-point attempts and outrebounded the Knights 30-19. But they also committed 16 turnovers to just six by South Dearborn, leading directly to 17 points.

"Statistically, we had 11 offensive rebounds but the big thing that stands out to me is just turnovers. We had 16 turnovers, they only had seven, so we got those rebounds because they limited their turnovers and took more shots," Stotts said. "I think we did what we wanted to do, even in our zone, but the big thing is, we need to take better care of the ball."

Reynolds was held scoreless in the second half but his 15 points still led the team. Gonzalez scored 10 points while Ryder Jones had seven points and seven rebounds.

Brodie Teke hit seven 3-pointers and scored 23 points to lead South Dearborn. Shackelford added 15 points.

Madison travels to Austin on Saturday for its next contest. The Cubs will then host the Jefferson County Invitational Tournament starting on Dec. 22.

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